

Mass Intentions for April 5

MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 6

NO 6:30 a.m. Mass today
12:05 p.m. Easter Novena

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TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 7

6:30 a.m. Easter Novena
12:05 p.m. John Gobeia +
6:30 p.m. Easter Novena

WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 8

6:30 a.m. John C. Little +
12:05 p.m. Easter Novena
2:30 p.m. Jerry Dolezal + & Dolezal Family (IOOF NH)
6:30 p.m. Joe J. & Mildred Krajca ++

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 9

6:30 a.m. Easter Novena
12:05 p.m. Easter Novena
6:30 p.m. Special Intention

FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 10

6:30 a.m. Easter Novena
12:05 p.m. Frank & Anne Pavlacka ++

SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, APRIL 11

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

**SECOND SUNDAY OF THE EASTER (DIVINE MERCY),
APRIL 5**

8:00 a.m. Frank & Jay Felcman ++
11:00 a.m. John M. Mensik +
1:00 p.m. Raquel Garcia +
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. April 5, 9 am Cruz Ortiz + and Nicolas Rico +
Sun. April 12, 9 am Margarita & Josefa Almaguer ++

COLLECTIONS FOR MARCH 28 & MARCH 29
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Church Support Collection	\$19,999.94
Second Collection: St. John Catholic Charity	\$2,288.15
Epiphany Church Support Collection	\$1,773.16

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Ennis Public Theatre

Pastor's Message

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
+ 2015

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

“O truly Blessed Night, when things of Heaven are wed to those of earth, and Divine to the human.”

These most beautiful words from the “*EXSULTET*,” the Easter Proclamation of Holy Saturday Night, are our cause of joy and celebration. We have been rescued from darkness and slavery. We have been adopted by the Father of Heaven and Earth. We have been ransomed by our brother, Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit!

Let us gather, then, as the people of God. Let us proclaim His glory and worship Him. We show Him our love and devotion in the same way He showed His love for us. In the flesh, He lived that love every day of His life on this earth. Love of us, was His mission. Love of us, consumed Him. Love of us took everything else away from Him.

Pour out on us, Lord Jesus, the grace to love you as you have loved us. The grace to love others, as you love all people. Make our hearts like your Sacred Heart.

Let us continue our celebration of your love during these fifty days of Easter, which the Church celebrates in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one “Great Sunday!”

After these fifty days of Easter, we open our hearts to the gift of the Holy Spirit, first poured out on His Church at Pentecost. Each year, we ask the Holy Spirit to come into our hearts in a deeper and more powerful way. It is this “Holy Spirit Power” that enables you and I to live as Disciples of the Risen Christ. Proclaiming every day by our practical lives on earth the power of HIM CRUCIFIED and RISEN!

Easter Blessings!

Love and Prayers,
Fr. John



WOW!

STAY TUNED...

**2015-16 R.E.
REGISTRATIONS**

**May 13th & 17th, June 13 - 14th,
and July 25 - 26th at the School**

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Easter Sunday, April 5

*NO Religious Education Classes *

*NO RCIA / Room 101

*NO Life Night

Easter Monday, April 6**6:00 pm** Confessions/ Church**7:00 pm** Catholic Daughters/ KC Dining Room**Easter Tuesday, April 7****7:00 am** Food for the Soul Breakfast**5:30-6:30 pm** Confessions/Church (No Confessions after Mass)**7:00 - 8:15 pm** EDGE/ Gym**7:00 pm** Apologetics/ Rm 301 High School**7:00 pm** Nepomucene's Men/ Room 101**Easter Wednesday, April 8****6:30 -8:30 pm** Religious Education**7:00 pm** Life Teen "Into the Deep"**7:30 pm** Adult Choir Rehearsal**7:30 pm** KC #1353/ KC**Easter Thursday, April 9****Easter Friday, April 10****Easter Saturday, April 11****3:30 pm** Confessions/Church**Easter Sunday, April 12****8:30-10:30 am** Religious Education Classes**9:00 am** RCIA / Room 101**1:30 pm** KJZT Society #16 Meeting/ KJT Dining Room**3:00 pm** Divine Mercy Chaplet/ Church**6:30 pm** Life Night

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING CLASSES

Training completed by a volunteer (for all Ministries) under the Safe Environment Program is good for only one (1) year. All volunteers whose training is currently expired or will expire by this summer may update their training at one of the classes scheduled at St. John's on Sunday, April 26, 2015, after the 7:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Masses in Room 104 of the compound.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA MEETING

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Monday, April 6th at 7:00 PM at the K of C Hall. Our Court's spring activities will be discussed. Application for our Court's local scholarship will be due on April 6th. Members please plan to attend this meeting..



Happy Easter

Love Fr. John and Fr. Antonio

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

2015 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for the KC Council 1353 Scholarships are available through April 24th at the St. Johns Church Office or by calling (972) 875-4162 to pick one up. Completed applications should be mailed to Knights of Columbus Council, P.O. Box 201, Ennis, Texas 75119 by April 30th. Requirement are: 2015 graduating high school senior, a practicing Catholic, & have an immediate family member active in the Knights of Columbus Council 1353 in Ennis.

ST. JOHN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Ten \$1,000 college scholarships available for **first time recipients**. **5 for 2015 high school graduates** who are the son/daughter/grandchild of a previous St. John High School (SJHS) graduate and **5 for adults** who have been out of high school for at least 1 year. Adults must be a graduate of SJHS or a son/daughter/grandchild of a previous SJHS graduate and are entering or returning to college or vocational school. Request an application @ Ennis Main Street Hardware (875-2721) or by emailing stjohnalumni@hotmail.com. Please indicate your full name in the email, year of graduation from SJHS or the parent/grandparent upon whom you are establishing your eligibility, and for which scholarship you are applying. **Applications must be postmarked and sent to P.O. Box 516, Ennis, 75120 by Monday, April 27, 2015.** All applications are evaluated by an independent committee.

KJZT SOCIETY #16 MEETING

April 12 at 1:30pm in the KJT dining room. Plans will be made for the reception for our graduating members and our annual Mass and celebration. All members are encouraged to attend.

Nepomucene's Men
Spiritual Growth & Fellowship for Men
Tuesday, April 7
Room 101 @ 7 pm
All males 18 and older are invited.
Food will be served.

VOTIVE PRAYER OFFERINGS

ST. JOHN CHURCH**Sanctuary Light : April 4– April 10**

For: Intentions of the Wayne Sylvester, Sr. Family

By: Jeff & Joan Johnson

Altar Candles : April 4– April 10

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DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL**Altar Candles: April 3– April 9**

For: Special Intention

Flower Arrangements: April 3– April 9

For: Parish Community

By: Parish



WELCOME

We are glad you are here!

St. John Nepomucene Parish

972-875-2834 * Fax: 972-878-2452

www.stjohncc.net

MASS TIMES: 6:30 am, 12:05 pm, 6:30 pm (M-Th)

Tuesday and Thursday evening Masses are in Spanish

6:30 am & 12:05 pm (F)

Sat. 5:00 pm

Sun.: 7 am, 11 am, 1 pm (Spanish) & 5:00 pm (Life Teen)

CONFESSIONS: Mon. 6:00 pm, Tuesday 5:30 pm, Sat. 3:30 pm

Learning and Growing in the Faith

Adult Education Opportunities

Apologetics



Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00 PM, Room 301

CRHP

Men's and Women's Retreats
Experience God's Love

Women's: Aug. 15-16
Men's: Aug. 22-23

Christ Renews His Parish

RCIA

Whether wanting to look into becoming Catholic or wanting a refresher in your Faith, come try it out at a 6 week look at the Sacraments.

Sunday mornings, 9:00—10:30 AM, Cafeteria

Serving at the Holy Mass

Liturgical Ministries Opportunities

Readers

Read Sacred Scripture, the Word of God, at Mass.
Contact: Cheryl O'Brien
469-337-3497

Altar Servers

Assist the priest at the altar. Open to males of high school age.
Contact: Father John 903-624-6114

Ushers

Greet people as they arrive for Mass and leave from Mass, help people find seats for Mass, take up collections, and handle situations that arise during Mass.
Contact: Edwin Plasek 972-875-5029

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Help our ordained ministers distribute Holy Communion at Mass or take Holy Communion to those who cannot come to Mass.
Contact: Ellene Stout
littlestout@hughes.net
972-351-1121

Choir

Sing at Mass with the Choir.
Contact: Jerry Moran
jdmoran@benekeith.com
214-718-8099

Why did God make you?
To KNOW, LOVE, and SERVE Him in this life and to be happy with Him in the next.

Common Action in the Lord

Catholic Groups in Our Area

Each of the following groups is dedicated to helping its members live out their call to love others, but each does so in ways particular to that group.



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

Contact: Maureen Spaniel, Regent
972 878 2209



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Contact: Kelly Graham (972) 345-4227



KJT

Catholic Union of Texas
Contact: Joe Landsfeld
972-875-7982

St. John Nepomucene Altar Society

Contact: Evelyn Zmolik



CATHOLIC Family Fraternal OF TEXAS

Contact: Elsie J. Marek 972-878-5537
Joan Johnson 214-728-6160

Divine Mercy



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.

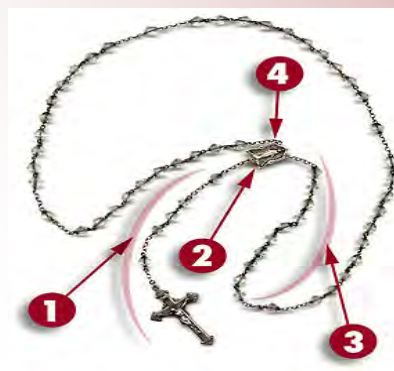
A— Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

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.

Let us pray this devotion together as family on **Divine Mercy Sunday** **April 12th @ 3pm** in the Church

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.***

Easter Vigil

April 4

Easter begins with the celebration of the holiest night of the year, the night in which Jesus rose and when we Baptize adults.

Easter Sunday

April 5

On Easter Sunday we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who had died for our sins, and who rose so that we might have Eternal Life with Him in heaven.

The Octave of Easter

April 5-12

The celebration of Easter day is extended for eight whole days. This most glorious day is too big to be contained to one day, and our celebration of it is too big to be completed in one day, so we celebrate Easter day from Easter Sunday until the next Sunday, Divine Mercy Sunday. It is good to continue one's Easter celebration by treating these days as feast days.



Easter Season

April 5-May 24

Not only do we celebrate Easter day for a whole octave of eight days, we continue the celebration of Easter with a season of Easter. As we focused on our sins and conversion in the season of Lent, during the Easter season we focus on our identity as a people who have been saved by Christ, who have a new life in Him now, and who are headed for heaven.

The Ascension

May 14

40 days after Easter Sunday, we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. He who became one of us so that we might have redemption, salvation, and sanctification in Him returned to the Father who had sent Him and sits at the right hand of the Father until He comes in glory on the Last Day. We have someone who loves us eternally pleading our cause in heaven and sending what we need to have a life in Him.



Pentecost

May 24

Easter season concludes with the great feast of Pentecost, when we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles. This feast marks the birth of the Church and the beginning of Her role in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all the nations. We continue this mission today, and here at St. John Nepomucene we welcome already Baptized adults into the Church and Baptized Catholic adults who have not received First Communion or Confirmation receive those Sacraments and complete their initiation into the Church.





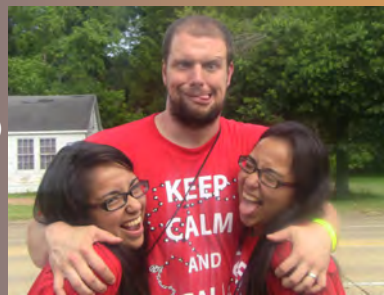
Steubenville South Conference is around the corner! June 26 - 28, 2015



All High School Teens

(Incoming Freshmen, class of 2019
- Graduated Seniors, class of 2015)

should attend this
amazing conference!



There are limited spots
for this incredible
weekend, sign-up today!

www.stjohncc.net/retreat-registrations



**St. John Nepomucene
May Festival**

**Sunday, May 17th
8:00 am - 8:00 pm**

Raffle **Games** **Food** **Music**

**Dinner & Dance - May 2nd
8 pm - 12 am @ KJT Hall
\$25/Ticket**

VBS
2015

Registrations @ the School
May 13th & 17th
June 13th & 14th

CATHLETICS!
TRAINING TO BE CHAMPIONS FOR CHRIST

JUNE 29th - JULY 3RD

Nepomucene's Children

Where children take their first steps in Education and Catholic Faith

(A fun, caring, and safe atmosphere, strong curriculum, teaching the Catholic faith, traditions, and values)
Licensed by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

www.nepchild.com

Now Enrolling for the Fall 2015

Pre-School

2, 3, & 4 year olds

For more information or daily tours
from 10-11, call Judy at
972-875-8026.

Hours - 7:30 am—2:30 pm

We will follow EISD calendar. Start date is August 31st.

2 Year Old Preschool - T/TH, M/W/F, or M-F

3 Year Old Preschool - M/W/F or M-F

4 Year Old Pre-K - M-F

Tuition -

T/TH - \$175.00/mo.

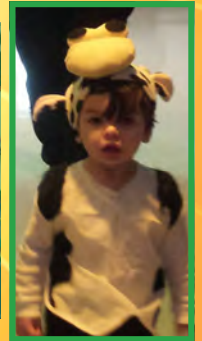
M/W/F - \$250.00/mo.

M-F - \$400.00/mo.

Supply Fee - \$65.00

(This includes all supplies used by your child. You will only need to provide lunch, snack, nap mat, blanket and diaper changing supplies if applicable.)

Registration Fee - \$75.00



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—3/29/15	Bernadine Zhanel Distasio-4/26	Agnes Landsfeld—3/22/15	Veronica Martinez - 4/19/15
Bob Zmolek—4/26/15	Helen Barak—4/12/15	Otto Trojacek—3/22/15	Delfino Herrera—4/19/15
Georgie Ann Nekuza-4/12/15	William South—4/12/15	Becky Dvington—3/22/15	Danny Kubin—4/19/15
Nathan Gunn—4/26/15	Mary Ann Toupal—5/3/15	Maegan Slovak Gould—3/29/15	Shaelyn Rejcek—4/19/15
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-4/26/15	Martina Ortiz—4/12/15	Josefina Gutierrez Hernandez –	Patti Youngblood—4/19/15
Frank Prochaska—4/26/15	Jane Rychlik - 4/12/15	3/29	Alfred Martinez—4/19/15
Sr. Redempta Bradley—4/26/15	Stella Tobola—4/12/15	Trisha Zabochnik—3/29/15	Jo Moore—4/19/15
Stephen Dolezalik—4/26/15	Bob Henderson—5/3/15	Arthur Castillo—3/29/15	Betty Schlotzman—4/19/15
Betty Jo Culpepper—5/3/15	Catherine Agosto—4/12/15	Alice Hoover—5/3/15	Henry Vrana—4/19/15
Betty Rogala—4/26/15	Margaret Bohuslav—4/26/15	RD Holt—4/5/15	Frank Zabochnik—4/19/15
Margie Dvorak—4/12/15	James Pustejovsky—4/26/15	Catherine Roberts—4/5/15	Priscilla Elizondo—4/19/15
Mary Hejny—4/12/15	Joe Barak Sr.—3/15/15	Ben Fira—4/5/15	Chris Melkovitz—4/26/15
Analiese Mahaley—5/3/15	Joe T. Venneman - 3/15	Charlie Mae Presley—4/5/15	Henry Marusak—4/26/15
Richard Mraz-4/26/15	John Moore - 3/15/15	Charlene Ortiz—4/5/15	Lillian Bacak—4/26/15
Sr. Edna Gonzalez—4/26/15	Mary Ann Sibley - 3/15/15	Elizabeth Ann Martinez—4/5/15	Roger Bigham—4/26/15
Johnny/ Mary Ann Hajek-4/26	Patti Youngblood - 3/15/15	Rodney Rudd—5/3/15	Nicole Cruz—4/26/15
Wesley Krajca—4/5/15	Henry Vrana—3/15/15	Alphonse Svehlak - 5/3/15	Robert M. Partida—5/3/15
Rachel Zmolik—4/26/15	Frank Zabochnik—3/15/15	Gregorio Vargas - 4/5/15	Pete Gutierrez—5/3/15
Jose Luis Garcia—4/26/15	Holly Friday—3/22/15	Jaysen St. Clair—5/3/15	Robert Garcia—5/3/15
Locavio Pecina—5/3/15	JoAnn Strunc—4/26/15	David Garcia—4/19/15	
Edwin/Dorothy Langer -4/15/15	Edwin Bouska—3/22/15	Graciela Martinez - 4/19/15	