

Mass Intentions for the week of April 17

**MONDAY, APRIL 18**

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

**12:05 p.m.** Joe & Frances Betik ++ living & deceased family

No 6:30 p.m. Mass today

**TUESDAY, APRIL 19**

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

**12:05 p.m.** Will & Mary Prachyl ++

No 6:30 p.m. Mass today

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20**

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

**12:05 p.m.** John Forsthoffer +

**2:30 p.m.** St. John residents at Legends NH (**Legends**)

No 6:30 p.m. Mass today

**THURSDAY, APRIL 21**—Saint Anslem

Church & Parish office closed for staff retreat

NO Masses today

**FRIDAY, APRIL 22**

Church & Parish office closed for staff retreat

NO Masses today

**SATURDAY, APRIL 23**—Saints George & Adalbert

**3:30 p.m.** Confessions

**5:00 p.m.** Frank Zabochnik +

**APRIL 24, FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**7:00 a.m.** Dennis Zhanel +

**11:00 a.m.** St. John Altar Society & Benefactors

**1:00 p.m.** Jose Antonio Victorino +

**5:00 p.m.** For the Parish Community

**MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH**

**Sun. Apr. 17, , 9 am** Maria Guadalupe Ramirez +

**Sun. Apr. 24, 9 am** Pascacio Escobar Cruz +

COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL 9 & 10

Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection \$20,338.18

Second Collection: Easter Flowers \$1,711.00

Epiphany Regular Collection \$845.25

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 17

**Entrance:** Sing of the Lord's Goodness - 532

**Offertory:** Easter Alleluia - 447

**Communion:** Gift of Finest Wheat - 081

**Recessional:** Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones - 790

**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Benny & Evelyn Zmolik**  
(Compliments of...)

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Fourth Sunday of Easter

+ 2016

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

As we make our way through this beautiful, grace filled, Easter Season we continue to hear the accounts of the life of the early Church. This weekend we hear in our reading from the Acts of the Apostles, what took place in Antioch. When Paul and Barnabas preached the Word of the Lord, many of the Jews gave in to a false pride, fear and jealousy. Rather than opening their hearts and minds to the Lord they closed themselves off, in anger, to His Love and Mercy.

His Love and Mercy has a name: Jesus, His Only Begotten Son, who arrived on earth in the womb of the Virgin Mary. Jesus is, in person, the living Love and Mercy of the Father. The Father, who through the ages past has given His chosen people the many covenants which have led to this time of fulfillment in Jesus, the New and Eternal Covenant.

On March 19<sup>th</sup>, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Pope Francis issued a new Apostolic Exhortation titled "The Joy of Love." I would encourage everyone to take the time to read this beautiful work about the Family. To not just read the pages, but rather, to take the time to read, pray and meditate on the meaning of this writing.

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has asked each of us as we read this letter, to push back the same temptations the Jews in Antioch had, to close our hearts and minds to the Divine Challenge of His Love and Mercy. Before we begin each time of reading we should pray to the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to the Love contained in these words. Let us, like the disciples, "be filled with joy and the Holy Spirit."

Love & Prayers,  
Fr. John

CHURCH AND PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, April 21st & Friday, 22nd  
for a staff retreat. In case of emergency please  
call Fr. John at 903-624-6114.

*Please pray for us—we will be praying for you!*

## IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF APRIL 03

**Sunday, April 17****Second Collection: Altar Server Scholarship****8:30 am** Religious Ed/ School**9:00 am** RCIA**6:30 pm** Life Night**Monday, April 18—MISSION WEEK—** no English activities**7:00 pm** Parish Mission/ Church**Tuesday, April 19—MISSION WEEK—** no English activities**12.45 pm** Altar Society Meeting/ Room 101**7:00 pm** Parish Mission/ Church**Wednesday, April 20—MISSION WEEK—**no English activities**7:00 pm** Parish Mission/ Church**Thursday, April 21—**Office Closed for staff retreat**Friday, April 22—**Office Closed for staff retreat**Saturday, April 23****Sunday, April 24****Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions Appeal****8:30 am** Religious Ed/ School**9:00 am** RCIA**1:30 pm** KJZT**6:30 pm** Life Night

## NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

**ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING**

Tuesday, April 19th after the 12:05 pm Mass in room 101.

**KJZT SOCIETY # 16 MEETING**

Sunday, April 24 at 1:30pm in the KJT hall dining room. We will plan our June scholarship presentation and our annual August celebration. All members are cordially invited. Refreshments and a social will follow.

**THANK YOU FROM THE  
FAMILY OF JOSEPH ROGER GAGNON**

Thank you to Fr. Henry Drozd for the beautiful Memorial Mass for our loved one, the Requiem Choir, Eddie Kriska, J.E. Keever Mortuary, for those who expressed their condolences, for your visits, prayers, Mass enrollments, flowers, cards, food, & monetary donations to the Parkinson's Foundation. May God bless you all.

**ST. JOHN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

10 \$1,000 college scholarships: 5 to a 2016 high school graduate (son/daughter/grandchild of a previous SJH graduate); 5 to adults out of high school for at least one year, a graduate of SJH or is the son/daughter or grandchild of a previous SJH graduate, and is entering or returning to college or vocational school for additional education. **Previous recipients not eligible.** Applications at Ennis Main Street Hardware (875-2721) from Gladys Zapletal or by emailing [stjohnalumni@hotmail.com](mailto:stjohnalumni@hotmail.com). Please indicate your full name in the email, year of graduation from St. John 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 Friday, April 29, 2016. Applications evaluated by an independent committee.

## NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY



Pope Francis  
Homily

## LIFE SOMETIMES WOUNDS US

"Life Sometimes Wounds Us The road to Emmaus thus becomes a symbol of our journey of faith: the Scriptures and the Eucharist are the indispensable elements for encountering the Lord. We too often go to Sunday Mass with our worries, difficulties, and disappointments.... Life sometimes wounds us, and we go away feeling sad, toward our "Emmaus," turning our backs on God's plan. We

distance ourselves from God. But the Liturgy of the Word welcomes "— Regina Caeli, May 4,

**Reflection:** If Jesus were walking alongside you, what would he say to you? In what area of your life would he offer encouragement? What area would he ask you to change? Ask God for the courage to encounter his mercy in the face of these challenges.

**No English evening activities  
during Mission Week.**

**GORDITA SALE**

This Sunday  
April 17th after 7am,  
11am & 1pm Masses  
Proceeds benefit  
St. John May Festival

**ST. JOHN CHURCH****Sanctuary Light : April 16– April 22**

In Memory: Rex Spurgeon

By: Donna &amp; Robyn Spurgeon

**Altar Candles : April 16– April 22**

In Memory: Frances &amp; Joe Pleiner

By: Libby &amp; Sammy Pleiner

**DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL****Altar Candles: April 15—April 21**

For: Parish Community

By: Parish

# FIRST COMMUNION

## *Congratulations!*

Student's names are not in picture order.



Patlan Castaneda, Bryan  
Pita, Jennifer  
Ramirez, Cassandra  
Torres, Jose  
Torres, Mauricio  
Urapo, Vanessa  
Vielmas, Estrella  
Arriaga, Karen  
Barajas, Yisel  
Calderon, Priciliana  
Cardona, Daisy  
Castanero Saucedo, Jr.,  
Jaime

Epps, Kaden  
Esquivel, Nahima  
Gallegos, Yasmin  
Gomez Nino, Daniel  
Guerrero, Angeli  
Gutierrez, Marc  
Isaacks, Kristopher  
Locke, Hannah  
Martinez, Alexa  
Melgarejo, Zayra  
Mendiola, III, Rafael  
Padilla, Jose  
Silva, Alexander

Velazquez, Alejandro  
Ensor, Alexis  
Gonzales, Raeleigh  
Niño, Adan  
Nunez, Joshua  
Payne, Amberly  
Rebuck, Katharine  
Reyes Gonzalez, Albany  
Roybal, Landon  
Sandoval, Yareli  
Zhanel, Gracie

Alvarado, Jr., David  
Claxton, Karaina  
Ferguson, Nash  
Ford, Lukas  
Garcia, Renzo  
Marente, Christo-  
pher  
Miller, Austen  
Morales Ojeda,  
Naysha  
Munoz, Alicia  
Ornelas, Jozalyn  
Ramirez, Hector

Romero, Camila  
Romero, Erandy  
Sanchez, Rozlynn  
Shockley, Landon  
Solis, Jocelyn  
Valles, Ramses  
Villasenor, Emanuel  
White, Lukas  
Zmolik, Elizabeth  
Aguilar, Gaspar  
Arriaga, Miranda  
Campos, Rebecca  
Diaz, Frida

Espino, Karen  
Espino, Salvador  
Garza, Diego  
Gonzalez, Govany  
Gutierrez Herrera,  
Emely  
Hernandez, Diego  
Hernandez, Jayden  
Hernandez, Luis  
Ledesma, Ludyvina  
Martinez, Matthew  
Mendiola, Bryan  
Ochoa, Allison



Alvarado, Hector  
Arriaga, Jr., Ivan  
Avila Juarez, Jesus  
Avila Juarez,  
Melannie  
Avila, Jr., Daniel  
Contreras, Diego  
Cruz, Juan  
Gamino, Adrian  
Gamino, Fernando  
Godinez, Edgar  
Godinez, Leslie  
Gonzalez, Aleksus

Hernandez, Valeria  
Jaramillo, Gabriel  
Mata, Carla  
Medrano, Rodrigo  
Mendez, San Juana  
Mendez, Sergio  
Moreno Macias,  
Jennifer  
Patlan, Jennifer  
Perez, Andrea  
Ramirez, Vanessa  
Rangel, Arianna  
Rangel, Miguel

Reyes, Maexy  
Rico, Ali  
Rodriguez, Adrian  
Rodriguez, Jesús  
Rodriguez, Mariana  
Rojas Gonzalez, Jr.,  
Erasm  
Ruiz, Alondra  
Ruiz, Edgar  
Salinas, Sylvia  
Sanchez, Laura  
Valles, Axel  
Valles, Kennia

Alvarado, Javier  
Alvarado, Javier  
Arreola, Vicente  
Bucio, Mia  
Espino, Daina  
Guerrero, Neftally  
Marente, Junior  
Martinez, Jesus  
McFadden, Matthew  
Novy, Nevin  
Nuñez, Francisco  
Ochoa, Silverio  
Sanchez, Marcos  
Williamson, Marti  
Zarate, Kylie  
Arredondo, Alexa

Arreola, Fiscal  
Family: Fiscal  
Barcenias, Diego  
Chavez, Marissa  
Espino, Alan  
Fiscal, Mauricio  
Hernandez, Lizeth  
Howard, Shawn  
Martinez, Makena  
Valles, Kevin  
Aguinaga, Jose  
Alvarado, Tania  
Arreola, Ruby  
Arreola, Yazmin  
Botello, Salvador  
Cano, Ashley

Cano, Ernesto  
Delgadillo Mascorro  
Antonio  
Gonzalez, Alberto  
Hernandez, Juan  
Diego  
Moreno, Aylin  
Ramirez, Analyssa  
Ramirez, Cynthia  
Ramirez, Hugo  
Rocha, Allison  
Sanchez, Dulce  
Sanchez, Vianney  
Torres, Valentina  
Vazquez, Nikol  
Velazquez, Noel



# St. John Religious Ed

Religious Education News  
(PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade)

972-875-9650 [karims@stjohncc.net](mailto:karims@stjohncc.net)

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

*Please make sure to read the notes we send home!*

Like us on Facebook: We will be posting updates, news, cancellations and more!



[www.facebook.com/StJohnRE](http://www.facebook.com/StJohnRE)

## Questions?

We are always available to answer your questions at the school's front desk during school hours (Sundays 8.30-10.30 am & Wednesdays 6.30-8.30pm).



# May Crowning

**Saturday, May 7th  
at 5pm Mass**

First Communicants & their families are invited to come to Mass in their First Communion outfits to honor the Blessed Mother.

100% CATHOLIC VBS

CAT CHAT Vacation Bible School

**BIRTHDAY BLAST**

**A CELEBRATION OF LIFE!**

An exciting PRO-LIFE themed program where kids will learn to discover, respect, protect, serve and celebrate life!

June 27- July 1st

**THE DATE!**

**SAVE**



# Who is this Person?

## A Middle School Retreat:

### Meeting the person of Jesus Christ!

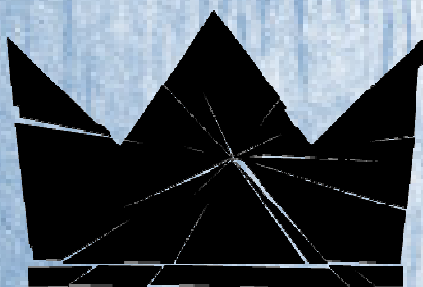
WHO: All EDGE Students: 6-8th Grade

WHEN: Saturday April 23rd, 10 AM at St. John thru Sunday  
April 24th, returning for 5 PM Life Teen Mass

WHERE: Camp Hoblitzelle in Midlothian, TX

COST: \$100/student

REGISTRATION: Registration and Payment can be made at  
[www.stjohnncc.net/retreat-registrations](http://www.stjohnncc.net/retreat-registrations)



# GLORIFY

## 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—4/24/16	Pete Gutierrez—4/17/16	Gary Krajca—4/10/16	Angela Zakalowski—4/10/16
Bob Zmolek—4/24/16	Betty (BJ) Lanicek Coker—4/24/16	Donna Tuley Fincher-3/20	Margaret Bohuslav—4/10/16
Georgie Ann Nekuza-5/8/16	Emilie Harrison—5/22/16	Larry Don Houdek-3/20/16	Milton Polak—4/10/16
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-4/24/16	Epi Garfias—4/17/16	Chuck Kubala—5/8/16	Darlene Blackburn—4/10/16
Sr. Redempta Bradley—4/24/16	Eddie Cervantes—5/8/16	Daniel Gonzalez—3/27/16	Julie Hughes—4/10/16
Analiese Mahaley—4/3/16	Holly Friday—5/8/16	Pauline Novy—3/27/16	Billy Copeland—4/10/16
Sr. Edna Gonzalez—4/24/16	Joe/Billie Valigura—4/10/16	Adele Miklis—3/27/16	Alphonse Svehlak-4/10/16
Johnny/Mary Ann Hajek-3/6/16	Mary Trojacek—5/22/16	Barry Metcalf—3/27/16	Lupita Garcia—4/17/16
Rachel Zmolik—5/1/16	Paul Tolliver—4/17/16	Katherine Michno-3/27/16	Jim Ed Underwood-4/17/16
Catherine Roberts—4/24/16	Alfred Martinez—4/3/16	Maria de Jesus Montiel-3/27/16	Janna Brock—4/17/16
Jaysen St. Clair—4/10/16	Juan Herrera—4/3/16	Candidito Fernandes Gomez-3/27	April Tamez—4/24/16
Mildred Trojacek—5/22/16	Phil Vavra—4/3/16	Priscilla Elizondo-3/27/16	Gerri and Bill Adams-4/24/16
David Trojacek—5/8/16	Edwin/Dorothy Langer-5/8/16	Noe Casanova-3/27/16	James Simpson—4/24/16
Jane Rychlik—5/8/16	Joan Gura—4/3/16	Ben & Genora Kriska-3/27/16	Atonia Benitiz—5/8/16
Bill Hejny—4/24/16	Butch Escobar—3/6/16	Grover Miller—4/3/16	Mark Eastman—5/8/16
Richard Mraz—5/01/16	Jerry Zmolek—5/8/16	Theresa Odlozil—5/15/16	Stanley A. Liska—5/8/16
Makenna Richardson -3/6/16	Janie Marusak—5/8/16	Marguerite Patterson-5/8/16	Laura Marroquin—5/8/16
Margie Dvorak—5/8/16	Mary Trojacek—5/8/16	Dorothy Sonka—4/3/16	Al Weaver—5/8/16
Betty Rogala—5/8/16	Bob Canada—6/5/16	John A. Esparza , Sr. - 4/3/16	Harvey & Glenda Dixon -5/8/16
Laura Waedekin—4/10/16	Steven Mensik—4/3/16	Salome Fira—4/3/16	
Clayton Budai—4/10/16	Cynthia C. De los Santos-5/8/16	Luke Siegel—4/10/16	
Mary Ann Felcman—4/10/16	Lillian Bacak—3/13/16	James Smith—4/10/16	
Nora Mandujano—4/17/16	Tina Jones—3/13/16	Stacey Define—4/10/16	
Robert Garcia—4/17/16	April Tamez—3/20/16	Elvira Fernandez de Costilla -4/10	