Mass Intentions for the week of April 24

MONDAY, APRIL 25—Saint Mark

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Russell & Mary Grimes ++ 6:30 p.m. John Michael Woodward +

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

6:30 a.m. Josephine T. McFarland +

12:05 p.m. Teresa Toupal + 6:30 p.m. Jovita Perez +

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

6:30 a.m. Stanley A. Liska +

12:05 p.m. Johnny & Emeleen Maliska ++ 6:30 p.m. John Michael Woodward +

THURSDAY, APRIL 28—Saint Peter Chanel

6:30 a.m. Para los Sacerdotes

No 12:05 p.m. Mass—Communion Service No 6:30 p.m. Mass—Communion Service

FRIDAY, APRIL 29—Saint Catherine of Siena

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Robert Mathews +

SATURDAY, APRIL 30—Saint Pius V

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Frank & Jay Felcman

MAY 1, SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Georgia & Michael Wensowitch, Sr. 7:00 a.m.

Anthony & Tony Alvarez ++ 11:00 a.m. Fr. Antonio (Feliz Cumpleaños) 1:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

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

Sun. May 1, 9 am Josefina Martir

Rachel's Corner

"Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring."

- St. Catherine of Siena, Feast Day April 29

You have endured much and it may have been for a very long time. Are you willing to let God accomplish something great in you as He breathes new life and healing into you? Come on a Rachel's VineyardTM Retreat and receive His abundant and boundless mercy.

> **Healing after Abortion Ministry** 214-544-CARE · healing@racheldallas.org www.racheldallas.org

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: N.W. Krieger Jr. (Comp of Mr. & Mrs...)

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Fifth Sunday of Easter +2016

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

"They (Apostles) strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." (Acts of the Apostles)

"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be His people and God Himself will always be with them. . . He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." (Book of Revelation)

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (Gospel of John)

The three quotes above from each of our Scripture readings pretty well sums up our Christian life; a life of perseverance, hope and love. He has come. He has saved us. We will rise with Him.

This is all accomplished by our love of one another in the power of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit. It is this power which enables us to turn away from ourselves, the world and the temptations of the Evil One. As we prepare to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost let us enter more deeply into the Life of His Love for each of us, especially in the work of making a "good Confession." Confessing when we have not loved as He loves.

Love & Prayers, Fr. John

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 24

Entrance: To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King - 492

Offertory: We Have Been Told - 694 Communion: Present Among Us - 838 Recessional: O Holy City, Seen of John - 757

COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL 16 & 17 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection Second Collection: Altar Server Scholarship **Epiphany Regular Collection**

\$20,862.77 \$1,567.06 \$792.09

IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF APRIL 24

Sunday, April 24

Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Religious Ed/ School 8:30 am

9:00 am **RCIA** 6:30 pm Life Night

Monday, April 25

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions/Church

Tuesday, April 26

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions/Church

Wednesday, April 27

6:30-8:30 pm Religious Ed 6:30-8:30 pm **EDGE** Thursday, April 28

Friday, April 29

4:00-7:00 pm Enchilada Dinner / Cafeteria

Saturday, April 30

7:00 am Community Garage Sale

Sunday, May 1

Second Collection: Capital Improvement

8:30 am Religious Ed/ School

9:00 am **RCIA**

2:00 pm Food Sales after 1pm Mass

6:30 pm Life Night

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

MAY FESTIVAL FUNDRAISERS

- *Mexican enchiladas—Friday April 29, 4-7 pm at the cafeteria. *Community Garage Sale—Saturday April 30. Rent a space for 20 dollars and set up 6 am -2 pm on the baseball field in front of the church.
- *Different food sold after the 1 pm mass every week.
- *Raffle tickets are available at the rectory for purchase or if you would like to help sell.

K.IT SOCIETY #35 MEETING

Tuesday May 3 at 7 PM. Also reminder to members that the KJT Hall clean up will be Monday May 23 at 7 PM.

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.

ST. JOHN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

College scholarships: 2016 high school graduate (son/daughter/ grandchild of a previous SJH graduate) or 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, & 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. 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 Address, 6-14-14

TO DRAW NEAR

From the Gospel narratives we are able to understand the closeness, the goodness, the tenderness with which Jesus drew in the suffering people and consoled them, comforted them, and often healed them. By our Teacher's example, we too are called to draw near, to share the conditions of the people we meet.

Reflection: What does it mean to "draw near" to those I meet? How can I encounter them more fully? Do I allow people to draw near to me... to share in my condition or do I isolate myself when I am in need?



We pray for rest he deserves & a safe return!

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light: April 23- April 29

In Honor: Zapletal, Honza, & Trojacek Families By: Martin & Gladys Zapletal and Family

Altar Candles: April 23– April 29

In Memory: Anton Galetka By: Tom & Donna Cooper

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: April 22—April 28

For: Leslie & Millie Trojacek By: David & Kathy Trojacek





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To everyone past, present, and future who helps our Parish be what God wants it to be.



Young Couples' Morning Retreat Featuring Dr. Peter and Chantal Howard

of Heroic Families

Saturday, April 30

9:30am-noon with lunch served afterwards Room 101 in the compound Childcare available





HERQIC

-AMILIES

From their website:

For many years, we have wrestled with an undeniable passion to minister to families. Having experienced many challenges in our own marriage and family, we realized that there is a massive void that is not being sufficiently filled — helping families discover their heroic calling, their true passion according to God's plan and how to pursue it as a family in a way that they are not just surviving, but

And so in the summer of 2015, after much prayer and discernment, we made what was for us an "heroic" decision to abandon everything into God's Providence, trust this was his calling for our family and "set out into the deep" (duc in altum!) while at the same time ascending "to the heights" ("verso l'alto" as Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati would say), putting all of our gifts and talents at the service of restoring the Christian family. We ardently desire to play our part in filling this great need in the Church to help families discover their heroic calling as it applies in body, mind and spirit . . . AND WE WANT TO BRING THIS TO YOUR HOME, TO YOUR PARISH, TO YOUR COMMUNITY!

> As St. John Paul II said: "As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live."

What greater mission is there today than to fight for the heart and soul of the Christian family? We look forward to bringing the mission of HeroicFamilies.com to your home!

Form more information go to: http://

heroicfamilies.com/

"I feel the retreat with Dr. Howard was a wonderful soul experience. I learned so many things about healing my family and cleansing my soul, which I was able to release a heavy cross I carried for many years. Dr. Howard was so informative, and I learned so many things from him and his wife. I wouldn't have changed one thing. The whole experience was memorable."

"Hearing some of their struggles and challenges and how they have responded was helpful and encouraging."

~ Cindy S.

"Dr. Howard was very knowledgeable and his sense of humor made his presentations so fun and enjoyable. It

was refreshing to hear their personal struggles because carrying our crosses in life as we focus on Our Lord can be difficult at best at times, yet with perseverance and faith / trust in Jesus we see amazing works of mercy."

~ Theresa B.



RE & VBS Registration Dates:

May 22nd & 25th June 11th & 12th

June 15th June 27th during RE after each Mass 6: 30-8: 30 PM (late sign ups)

Want to volunteer?

Come find out more info May 23rd OR June 8th @ 6: 30 pm, in the school



Sunday April 24th - Life Teen Social

Sunday May 1st - "Trust": Trusting in God's Mercy

Sunday May 8th - Mama! Mary as Mother

Sunday May 15th - Venti Sancte Spiritus: Pentecost in your life



HIGH SCHOOL TEENS: JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY FOR 6:30 AM MASS & BREAKFAST - FOOD FOR THE SOUL!

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 Bob Zmolek-4/24/16 Georgie Ann Nekuza-5/8/16 Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-4/24/16 Sr. Redempta Bradley—4/24/16 Analiese Mahaley—4/3/16 Sr. Edna Gonzalez-4/24/16 Johnny/Mary Ann Hajek-3/6/16 Rachel Zmolik—6/5/16 Catherine Roberts-4/24/16 Jaysen St. Clair—4/10/16 Mildred Trojacek—5/22/16 David Trojacek—5/8/16 Jane Rychlik—5/8/16 Bill Hejny—4/24/16 Richard Mraz-5/01/16 Makenna Richardson -3/6/16 Margie Dvorak—5/8/16 Betty Rogala—5/8/16 Laura Waedekin—4/10/16 Clayton Budai—4/10/16 Mary Ann Felcman-4/10/16 Nora Mandujano-4/17/16 Robert Garcia—4/17/16 Pete Gutierrez—4/17/16

Betty (BJ) Lanicek Coker—4/24/16 Emilie Harrison—5/22/16 Epi Garfias-4/17/16 Eddie Cervantes—5/8/16 Holly Friday—5/8/16 Joe/Billie Valigura—4/10/16 Mary Trojacek—5/22/16 Paul Tolliver—4/17/16 Alfred Martinez-4/3/16 Juan Herrera-4/3/16 Phil Vavra-4/3/16 Edwin/Dorothy Langer-5/8/16 Joan Gura-4/3/16 Butch Escobar—3/6/16 Jerry Zmolek—5/8/16 Janie Marusak—5/8/16 Mary Trojacek—5/8/16 Bob Canada—6/5/16 Steven Mensik—4/3/16 Cynthia C. De los Santos-5/8/16 Lillian Bacak—3/13/16 Tina Jones—3/13/16 April Tamez-3/20/16 Gary Krajca—4/10/16 Larry Don Houdek-3/20/16

Chuck Kubala—5/8/16 Daniel Gonzalez—3/27/16 Pauline Novy—3/27/16 Adele Miklis-3/27/16 Barry Metcalf—3/27/16 Katherine Michno-3/27/16 Maria de Jesus Montiel-3/27/16 Candidito Fernandes Gomez-3/27 Priscilla Elizondo-3/27/16 Noe Casanova-3/27/16 Ben & Genora Kriska-3/27/16 Grover Miller—4/3/16 Theresa Odlozil—5/15/16 Marguerite Patterson-5/8/16 Dorothy Sonka—4/3/16 John A. Esparza, Sr. - 4/3/16 Salome Fira—4/3/16 Luke Siegel—4/10/16 James Smith-4/10/16 Stacey Define—4/10/16 Elvira Fernandez de Costilla -4/10 Angela Zakalowski—4/10/16 Margaret Bohuslav—4/10/16 Milton Polak—4/10/16 Darlene Blackburn—4/10/16

Julie Hughes—4/10/16 Billy Copeland—4/10/16 Alphonse Svehlak-4/10/16 Lupita Garcia—4/17/16 Jim Ed Underwood-4/17/16 Janna Brock-4/17/16 April Tamez-4/24/16 Gerri and Bill Adams-4/24/16 James Simpson—4/24/16 Atnonia Benitiz—5/8/16 Mark Eastman—5/8/16 Laura Marroquin—5/8/16 Al Weaver—5/8/16 Harvey & Glenda Dixon -5/8/16 Sandy Wheeler—5/22/16 Mary Dlabaj—5/22/16 Antonia Rosas—5/22/16 Herminia Perez—5/22/16 Maura Messa—5/22/16 Bill Glaspy-5/22/16 Kenneth Houdek—5/22/16 Kenneth Trojacek—5/22/16