

**Mass Intentions for the week of May 8**

**MONDAY, MAY 9**

- 6:30 a.m. Johnny & Emeleen Malkiska ++  
12:05 p.m. Mother's Day Novena  
6:30 p.m. Mother's Day Novena

**TUESDAY, MAY 10**—Saint Damien de Veuster

- 6:30 a.m. Mother's Day Novena  
12:05 p.m. Henry Odlozil +  
6:30 p.m. Mother's Day Novena

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 11**

- 6:30 a.m. Wilma Kasper +  
12:05 p.m. Edward Rejcek +  
2:30 p.m. Mother's Day Novena  
6:30 p.m. Mother's Day Novena

**THURSDAY, MAY 12**—Saints Nereus, Achilleus, Pancras

- 6:30 a.m. Linda Trojacek (health)  
12:05 p.m. Raymond Zapletal +  
6:30 p.m. Asucion Mendoza & Angela Hernandez ++

**FRIDAY, MAY 13**—Our Lady of Fatima

- 6:30 a.m. Margaret Hoefer (health)  
12:05 p.m. Mark Henry Valek +

**SATURDAY, MAY 14**—Saint Matthias/ Pentecost Vigil

- 3:30 p.m. Confessions  
5:00 p.m. Clara, Albin, & William Vavra +++

**MAY 15, PENTECOST SUNDAY**

- 7:00 a.m. Emil, Dorothy, & Ronnie Toupal +++  
11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of St. John Class of '66  
1:00 p.m. David Triana  
5:00 p.m. Antonio Martinez +

**MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH**

- Sun. May 8, 9 am Por las madres difuntas  
Sun. May 15, 9 am Jose Ricardo, Maria Lucia, San Juanita  
(Gracias por cumpleaños de hijos)

**HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 8**

- Entrance:** Rejoice, the Lord Is King - 493  
**Offertory:** Crown Him with Many Crowns - 489  
**Communion:** One Bread, One Body - 813  
**Recessional:** A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing - 467  
**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK:** Lone Star Trash Service

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ  
+ 2016

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

In our Gospel reading last Sunday, Jesus said, "I am going away and I will come back to you. If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father. . ."

I have often wondered each year as we celebrate His Ascension back to His Father in heaven, what Jesus' humanity was experiencing. How full of rejoicing He must have been to finally be going home! To know that He had completed the work the Father sent Him to do and was now returning to the Father and Holy Spirit.

However, even in His own excitement He continued to comfort us that He would return and take us to Himself. That we would also share in His glory which is the glory of the Father. Over and over again He counsels each one of us to prepare for our journey to Heaven. To be ready to go! He knows what He is going home to.....but He wants us also, to long for Heaven.

Jesus prayed to the Father, "Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me. . ."

He wants our looking forward to the joys of Heaven to be our motivation when the going gets tough here on earth. He knows this is what kept Him going, step by step.

As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost, we ask the Holy Spirit to fill us with that hope and joy of eternal life. The hope and joy that amid our struggles on earth keep us going, step by step.

Love & Prayers,  
Fr. John

**Adoration Chapel Open Hours**

- Sunday:** 2 am, 4 am, 8 am, 11 am, 1 pm  
**Monday:** 2 am, 3 am, 6 pm  
**Tuesday :** 2 am, 3 am  
**Wednesday:** 1 am, 4 am  
**Thursday :** 3am  
**Friday :** 1 am, 12 pm, 2 pm  
**Saturday :** 4 pm

**COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL 23 & 24**  
Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection	\$20,713.68
Second Collection: Capital Improvements	\$2,992.36
Epiphany Regular Collection	\$1,120.29
Second Collection: Building Fund	\$419.00

IN OUR PARISH WEEK OF MAY 8

**Sunday, May 8—MOTHER'S DAY**

Second Collection: Catholic Communications Campaign

NO Religious Ed/ School

9:00 am RCIA

6:30 pm Life Night

**Monday, May 9**

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions/Church

**Tuesday, May 10**

8:00 am Golden Crusaders/ Cafeteria

5:30-6:30 pm Confessions/Church

7:00 pm Upper Room/ Rm 101

**Wednesday, May 11**

6:30-8:30 pm Religious Ed

6:30-8:30 pm EDGE

**Thursday, May 12**

**Friday, May 13**

6:00-9:00 pm Mother's Day Dinner Sale / Cafeteria

**Saturday, May 14**

5:00 pm Pentecost Vigil Adult Confirmations/Receptions

**Sunday, May 15**

8:30 am Religious Ed/ School

9:00 am RCIA

5:00 pm Pentecost RCIT Confirmations

6:30 pm Life Night

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY



**The One who always defends us**

“Jesus is the one eternal High Priest who with his Passion passed through death and the tomb and ascended into heaven. He is with God the Father where he intercedes for ever in our favor (cf. Heb 9:24). ..

Dear brothers and sisters, we have this Advocate; let us not be afraid to

turn to him to ask forgiveness, to ask for a blessing, to ask for mercy! He always pardons us, he is our Advocate: he always defends us! Don't forget this! The Ascension of Jesus into heaven acquaints us with this deeply consoling reality on our journey : in Christ, true God and true man, our humanity was taken to God. Christ opened the path to us. He is like a roped guide climbing a mountain who, on reaching the summit, pulls us up to him and leads us to God. If we entrust our life to him, if we let ourselves be guided by him, we are certain to be in safe hands, in the hands of our Savior, of our Advocate.” General Audience, 17 April 2013

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

**May 13th**  
6:00 -9:00 pm  
Cafeteria  
**Celebrating our Mothers** \$10—Adults  
Dinner, drink, dessert  
\$5— children's plate

**GOLDEN CRUSADERS MONTHLY MEETING**

meet on Tuesday May 10. A - K & P - Z are asked to bring a side dish and L - O are asked to bring a dessert. Fried chicken will be furnished.

**THANK YOU FROM THE ALTAR SOCIETY**

to thank everyone who helped in any way to make the Church so beautiful for Easter.

**ROSARY MAKING GROUP**

Thursday, May 12 @ 907 W. Lampasas St. from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. This is open to everyone in the parish. Come when you can, leave when you need to. Please call Cathy Falkenbach for more info— 214-399-4613.

**THANK YOU FROM THE FAMILY OF ED MENSIK**

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to Father John and the Staff of Saint John's. Thank you for all your kindness and support following the Memorial service for our husband and father, Ed Mensik. A special thank you to Joe Galetka, Glenn Skrivanek and Jim Patak for working the kitchen and preparing the meal and to all those who so generously brought food. Thank you to everyone for your expressions of sympathy through Masses, prayers, visits, phone calls and cards. To all those who in any way helped us through this difficult time. May God Bless you all.

**ST. JOHN CHURCH**

**Sanctuary Light : May 7– May 13**

In Honor: Stella Tobola In Memory: Mary Bouska

By: the Family

**Altar Candles : May 7– May 13**

In Memory: Frances Pleiner

By: Sam & Libby Pleiner

**DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL**

**Altar Candles: May 6—May 12**

For: Parish Community

By: Parish

**Nepomucene's Men**  
Spiritual Growth & Fellowship for Men

**Monday, May 16th**

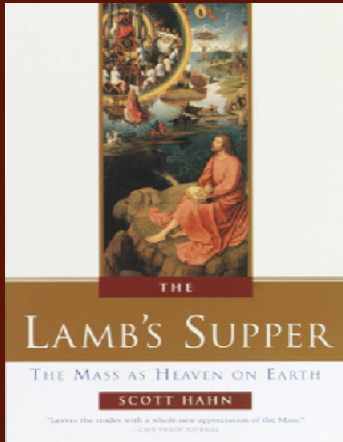
**Room 101 @ 7 pm**

All males 18 and older are invited.

**Topic: Chaplet of Divine Mercy, part 2**

for more information, please contact David Daigle, Kenneth Janousek, Tim Macalik or Matt Hutyra

# Come to a book study group for "The Lamb's Supper" by Dr. Scott Hahn



Wednesday beginning  
June 1st  
6:00 pm — 8:00 pm

Contact John Waedekin  
For more info or to sign  
up 682-225-5086

Study will be slow paced and  
informal, but spiritual!

Come and understand why Saint Pope John  
Paul II described the Mass as

*"Heaven on Earth,"  
explaining that what  
"we celebrate on Earth  
is a mysterious  
participation in the  
heavenly liturgy."*



# Memorial Day Mass

## Monday, May 30th

### 7:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Cemetery

In case of rain the Mass will be at the church.

Be who God meant  
you to be and  
you will set the  
world on  
*fire.*

*- St. Catherine of Siena*

**Come Celebrate the Growth and  
Strengthening of Our Parish Family!**

*Saturday, May 14*  
*5:00 PM Mass*

- Special readings and prayers
- Reception of adults into the Catholic Church
- Adult First Communions
- Adult Confirmations

*Pentecost Vigil*

# *St. John Nepomucene* *Pray for us!*

**Let Us Celebrate the Patron  
of Our Parish Family!**

**Feast Day: *May 16***

**Festival: *May 21-22***



- **Born in Nepomuk, Bohemia, in 1345**
- **Was a great preacher**
- **Invited to the court of King Wenceslaus IV**
- **Suffered torture and death rather than break the seal of the confessional**
- **Martyred in Prague in 1393 by being thrown from Charles Bridge**

Join us  
for  
**May**  
Festival

In Honor of St. John Nepomucene

**Saturday, May 21st -**

**4:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

**Sunday, May 22nd -**

**10:00 am - 7:00 pm**

**Food, Games, Music, Queen, Raffle**

RAFFEL PRIZES: 1ST PRIZE - \$600 VISA GIFT CARD

2ND PRIZE - \$400 VISA GIFT CARD ---- 3RD PRIZE - GO PRO HERO 4 CAMERA

4TH PRIZE - BEATS HEADSET -- TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE



## **Come Celebrate the Great Gift of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament!**



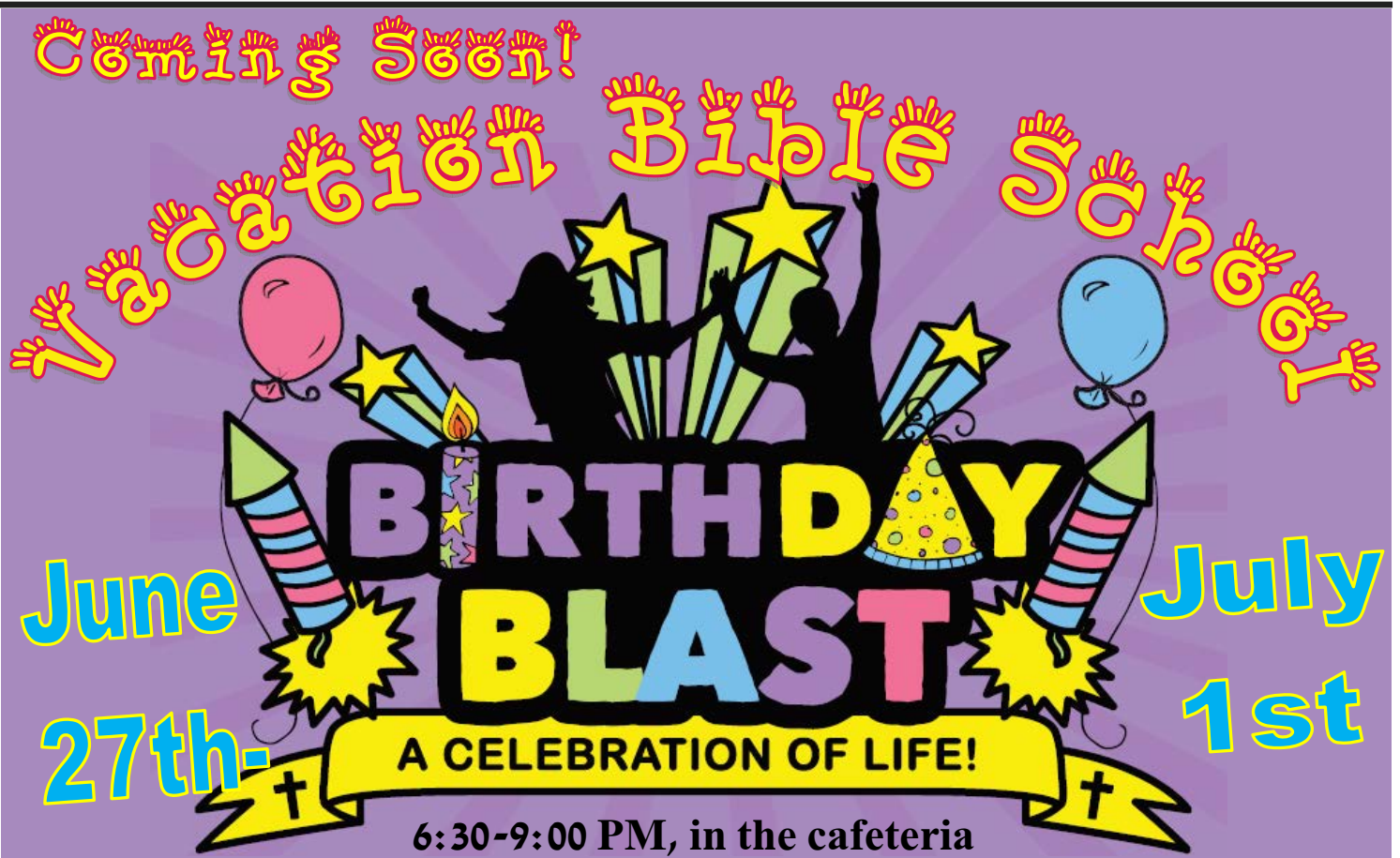
***Thursday, May 26  
8:00 PM***

- Procession through the streets following the Blessed Sacrament
- Eucharistic Hymns
- Special altars set up by parishioners and groups to honor Our Lord
- Benediction

**A special place in the  
procession will be reserved  
for children whose First Holy  
Communion is this year.**

***Children come dressed in  
your dress or suit!***

# ***Corpus Christi***



## WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

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

Or contact Karim @ karims@stjohncc.net or (972) 875-9650

## VBS, RE and EDGE Registrations 2016-2017

In the elementary school **PRE-k THRU 8TH Grade**

May 22nd ..... 9:00-10:30 AM, currently enrolled families only

May 25th ..... 7:00-8:30 PM, currently enrolled families only

June 11th & 12th ..... After each Mass

June 15th ..... 6:30-8:30 PM

August 27th & 28th ..... After each Mass

September 10th & 11th ..... After each Mass

September 14th ..... 6:30-8:30 PM

September 25th & 28th ..... 1st day of class

### RE & EDGE Parent Checklist

- Completed registration form
- Baptismal certificate (NOT required if your child was baptized @ St. John's)

### **Sending your child's baptismal certificate from another church?**

Mail to: 401 E. Lampasas Ennis, TX 75119  
 Fax to: (972) 875-2452  
 E-mail to: karims@stjohncc.net

**More information:**

[www.stjohncc.net/registrations2016-2017](http://www.stjohncc.net/registrations2016-2017)



**GRADUATING CLASS OF 2016 AND FAMILIES**

Please Join Us For the

***Baccalaureate  
Mass***

Honoring the High School Graduating Class of

**2016**

**SUNDAY JUNE 5TH**

**AT 5 PM MASS**

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Followed by Dinner Reception  
SPJST HALL 1901 E Ennis Ave  
Ennis, TX 75119

RSVP - [Stephent@stjohncc.net](mailto:Stephent@stjohncc.net)

## 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—5/29/16	Betty (BJ) Lanicek Coker—5/29/16	Katherine Michno-5/29/16	Kenneth Trojacek—5/22/16
Bob Zmolek—5/29/16	Emilie Harrison—5/22/16	Ben & Genora Kriska-5/29/16	Santos Garcia—5/22/16
Georgie Ann Nekuza-5/8/16	Epi Garfias—5/29/16	Theresa Odlozil—6/19/16	Amelia Richardson-5/29/16
Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-5/29/16	Eddie Cervantes—5/8/16	Marguerite Patterson-5/8/16	Patti Youngblood—5/29/16
Sr. Redempta Bradley—5/29/16	Holly Friday—5/8/16	Margaret Bohuslav—5/29/16	Nylene Daigle—5/29/16
Analiene Mahaley—5/29/16	Joe Valigura—5/29/16	Milton Polak—5/29/16	John Esparza Sr.—6/12/16
Sr. Edna Gonzalez—5/29/16	Mary Trojacek—5/22/16	Darlene Blackburn—5/29/16	Salo Fira—6/12/16
Mary Ann Hajek-5/29/16	Paul Oliver—5/29/16	Billy Copeland—5/29/16	Georgie Zabochnik—6/12/16
Rachel Zmolik—6/5/16	Alfred Martinez—4/3/16	Alphonse Svehlak-5/29/16	Rebekah Sullivan—6/12/16
Catherine Roberts—5/29/16	Juan Herrera—5/29/16	Gerri and Bill Adams-4/24/16	
Jaysen St. Clair—5/29/16	Phil Vavra—5/29/16	James Simpson—4/24/16	
Mildred Trojacek—5/22/16	Edwin/Dorothy Langer-5/8/16	Atonia Benitez—5/8/16	
David Trojacek—5/8/16	Joan Gura—5/29/16	Mark Eastman—5/8/16	
Jane Rychlik—5/8/16	Jerry Zmolek—5/8/16	Laura Marroquin—5/8/16	
Bill Hejny—5/29/16	Janie Marusak—5/8/16	Harvey & Glenda Dixon -5/8/16	
Richard Mraz—5/01/16	Mary Trojacek—5/8/16	Sandy Wheeler—5/22/16	
Makenna Richardson -3/6/16	Bob Canada—6/5/16	Mary Dlabaj—5/22/16	
Margie Dvorak—6/12/16	Cynthia C. De los Santos-5/8/16	Antonia Rosas—5/22/16	
Betty Rogala—5/8/16	Lillian Bacak—5/29/16	Herminia Perez—5/22/16	
Laura Waedekin—5/29/16	Tina Jones—5/29/16	Maura Messa—5/22/16	
Clayton Budai—5/29/16	April Tamez—5/29/16	Bill Glaspy—5/22/16	
Mary Ann Felcman—5/29/16	Chuck Kubala—5/8/16	Kenneth Houdek—5/22/16	