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Mass Intentions for the week of August 9

MONDAY, AUGUST 10 - St. Lawrence

6:30 a.m. Joe Honza +

12:05 p.m. Emma Gallegos (Birthday)

6:30 p.m. Ryan Svehlak + TUESDAY, AUGUST 11 - St. Clare

6:30 a.m. Sr. Mary Philomena & Sr. Clare Marie

12:05 p.m. Beth Green +

6:30 p.m. *COMMUNION SERVICE*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12 - St. Jane Frances de Chantel

6:30 a.m. Special Intention
12:05 p.m. Alice Whiteley +
David Daigle (health)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13 - Saints Pontian & Hippolytus

6:30 a.m. Larry Gerich + Louise Jurik +

6:30 p.m. Tiburcia Puente + & Nicolasa Niño +

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 - St. Maximilian Kolbe

6:30 a.m. Ann Marek (health)
12:05 p.m. Tony & Nacha Zapata ++

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15-The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

3:30 p.m. Confessions 5:00 p.m. Anna Galetka +

AUGUST 16, TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00 a.m. For the Parish Community

11:00 a.m. John Polak +

1:00 p.m. Fr. Antonio (20th Anniversary of Ordination)

5:00 p.m. Delfa Arrambide +

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. August 9, 9 am Roman & Gregoria Rodriguez ++

Sun. August 16, 9 am Manuel Martinez +

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

Entrance: All Creatures of Our God and King - 523

Offertory: We Come to Your Feast - 814 **Communion:** I Am the Bread of Life - 822

Recessional: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light – 513

COLLECTIONS FOR AUGUST 1 & AUGUST 2 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection \$17,985.35 Second Collection: Capital Improvement \$3,196.50 Epiphany Regular Collection \$1,002.57 Second Collection: Building Fund \$442.11

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: JPH Mechanical Services

Pastor's Message

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time + 2015

Dear Saint John and Epiphany Parishioners,

We continue this week the Gospel of St. John, Chapter Six. Jesus again assures us of His radical, extreme, unconditional Love for each one of us. It is a love that drove Him to the Cross. It is a love that necessitated leaving us His flesh and blood to eat and drink. It is a love that longs for each of us to join Him in Heaven for all eternity.

His flesh and blood received from the Altar of His Sacrifice is the food necessary for us to make the difficult journey across the desert of our life on earth to the Promised Land for eternity. He, personally, Himself, gives each of us what is necessary. We must make the choice to eat and drink in Faith.

This past week we celebrated the Feast Day of Saint John Mary Vianney, the Cure D'Ars. A priest who ate and drank in Faith so strong that it brought thousands of others to the Lord Jesus and Heaven. The secret St. John Vianney passed on to his people were the gifts of Confession and Eucharist. Eucharist celebrated as the Sacrifice of Calvary and the true food and drink of a life eternal.

The power of the Eucharist is the same power of the Feast of Transfiguration we celebrated on Thursday. The Transfiguration was a visible display of the power of Jesus Christ. A power we can each trust to bring us into union with Him and get us into eternal joy. It is the Power of Jesus Christ, Himself, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity.

Come Eat and Drink, never die, live forever in Joy!

Love and Prayers, Fr. John



There are two things the devil is deadly afraid of:

fervent Communions and

frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament.

Saint John Bosco

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 9

9:00 am RCIA

6:30 pm Life Night—Off Campus Event

Monday, August 10

5:30 pm Confessions/Church (no confessions after Mass)

Tuesday, August 11

9:00 am Golden Crusaders / Cafeteria

12:30 pm Food for the Soul 5:30-6:30 pm NO Confessions tonight

Wednesday, August 12

6:30 - 8:30 pm Life Teen "Into the Deep" KC #1353/ KC Hall

Thursday, August 13 Friday, August 14 Saturday, August 15

Women's CRHP Retreat Begins
3:30 pm Confessions/Church

Sunday, August 16

Women's CRHP Retreat Ends
9:00 am RCIA / Cafeteria

6:30 pm Life Night - Pool Party at SOKOL

HOLY HOURS AVAILABLE Sunday: 4 am, 2 pm, 3 pm Monday: 12 am, 1 am, 2 am,

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Thursday: 12 am, 3 pm

Msgr. Leon Duesman is celebrating 50 years of Priesthood

The Community of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is honoring him with a celebration on August 29, 2015. We would like for you to come! Msgr. Leon will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving 6:30 PM on August 29, 2015 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 2700 W. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, Texas 75023. A dessert reception will follow.

You and Your Family are Invited to the Annual

Diocesan Silver and Gold Mass

For those celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+ years of marriage duving 2015 Married in 1990, 1965 and earlier



Honoring & Blessing 25, 50, and 50+ Years of Marriage

2 p.m. on Saturday, Hugust 29, 2015

Bishop Kevin J. Farrell, Celebrant

Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe

Festive Reception follows in the Grand Salon

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

We accept clean clothes and shoes in the gym every Sunday after 7:00 am Mass until 1 pm. During this time anyone is welcome to take what they need free of charge. * We will be accepting your abundance of produce from your home garden. Drop it off by 11 AM on Sunday at the gym.

GOLDEN CRUSADERS MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday August 11, in cafetorium. We will have a ham dinner. A - K are to bring a vegetable dish, L - O a dessert, and P - Z a vegetable dish. New members welcome.

HOLY COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES

If you have a loved one that is in the Nursing Home or is homebound, please give us the name, address and phone number and Holy Communion will be taken to them. Usually, Holy Communion is distributed on Saturday or Sunday. Many times individuals may be missed, because we are not informed. Email address is littlestout@hughes.net or text or call 972-351-1121.

KJZT CELEBRATION

Will be held at the KJT hall on Saturday, August 15 for all members & their immediate families. It begins at 3:00pm for 50 and 75 yr. pins. The Polka Mass is at 4:00pm. The Mass will fulfill the Sunday obligation and the regular collection will be taken up. Dinner & dance will follow with music by the Jodie Mikula Orchestra. Members with initials A-M are asked to bring a pastry and N-Z are asked to donate \$5 per family. This year the KJZT community fundraiser will benefit Helping Hands of Ennis. Members are asked to bring 5 non perishable food items (canned or boxed items, most needed are peanut butter, pasta noodles and canned tuna or chicken) or make a monetary donation. Since the parish May Festival was cancelled due to inclement weather and we could not have our fundraiser booth. we will hold a raffle at the celebration to benefit St. John Nepomucene Church. Purchased tickets may be brought to the celebration or mailed to Elsie Marak with checks payable to K.J.Z.T. Society #16, 3816 FM 1183 Ennis, TX 75119.

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light: August 8 - August 14

In Memory: Ryan Svehlak By: Jo Ann Needham

Altar Candles: August 8 - August 14

In Honor: Antonie Vrana Kubin & In Memory: John F. Kubin

By: Margaret & Emil Martinek

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: August 7 - August 13

In Memory: AJ Nekuza, Danny & Denise Nekuza

By: Raymond & Georgie Ann Nekuza

Flower Arrangements: August 7 - August 13 In Memory: AJ Nekuza, Danny & Denise Nekuza

By: Raymond & Georgie Ann Nekuza

St. John 2015 Annual Bazaar

KC HALL **OUT OF THE BOX BRAVE COMBO**

KJT HALL Raffle **Silent & Live Auctions** Chicken Fried Steak Dinner & Dessert BBQ/ KLOBASE / GORDITAS

Auction items needed!!

PLAN ON ATTENDING BOTH DAYS!!

It's Sunday and your friends want you to hang out with them later....but you know you're supposed to go to Life Teen. what do you do?

Life Teen is the Youth **Program for our High Every Sunday is** for our teens to gather and **Sunday August 30:** grow. Let's do our part to help

Sokol Pool Party

School students! Sunday August 16:

Gym Night

another chance **Sunday August 23:**

Sokol Pool Party

Movie Night

FALL KICK-OFF w.

Chris Padgett

Simply say this!

FE TEEN



them!

What others are saying...



It's been a life changing experience.
- Victor Pochobradsky



CRHP has solidified my path in becoming Catholic and brought me closer to God.

- Aaron Jenschke

CRHP brought me closer to God & helped me realize what I was missing. - Jose Huerta

lost, but

I didn't

want to

admit it.

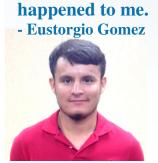
Would you like to be closer to God? God to be closer to you?

If you answered "Yes" to either or both, you owe it to yourself to take 36 hours and attend either the women's or men's Christ Renews His Parish



retreat. It is as powerful as it is spiritual. If you're on that proverbial fence post and asking yourself, "Should I attend, or should I not attend," be like Peter and step out on new water toward Christ. Look at what it did for the tax collector who climbed up that sycamore tree to see Jesus. See what it did for the man they lowered through the hole in the roof. See what it did for the adulterous

woman. Let Christ and the Holy Spirit take you by the hand as you attend this retreat. - Martin Zapletal



CRHP was a great

best thing that has

experience - the

It helped my appreciate what Christ has done and is doing for me. - Luis Arreola

Is Christ calling you to

Christ Renews His Parish?



The déjà vu of immigrant bashing

Times may change, but people rarely do. I have in mind the custom of immigrant bashing. Several thousand years ago the Israelites were told, "you shall not oppress or afflict a resident alien, for you were once aliens residing in the land of Egypt." This passage is part of the Covenant Code, one of the most ancient collections of law in the Hebrew scriptures.

What this tells us is that fear and suspicion of "the others" and subsequent attempts to subjugate or exclude them are nothing new. We Catholics might well be reminded that we "we're once aliens residing in the land" — not of Egypt but of America. The English penal laws applied in the colonies. Catholics could not hold office, had to pay double taxes and could not worship publicly. Campaigns to mark Catholics as subversive were waged by the Know Nothings and the Ku Klux Klan, who maintained that Catholicism was antipathetic to American democracy.

Religion, however, was not the only trigger of immigrant bashing. Nativism, based on protecting American values and traditions from being "mongrelized" by immigrants who were considered inferior mentally and culturally, also was prevalent. Thus draconian anti-immigration laws were enacted against the Chinese. Irish, German, Italian and Eastern European (Chech) immigrants were vilified as sub-human, ne'er-do-wells and drunkards incapable of productive citizenship. They were considered threats to the well-being of the nation. Among the outspoken nativists were Mark Train, Walt Whitman and Samuel F. B. Morse.

Of course, we are an immigrant nation and those whose parents and grandparents were reviled by Nativists are now our legislators, judges, scientists, academics ... and politicians. The ghost of Nativism again prowls our land. The vilifiers and the vilified are different, but the script is the same.

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—8/30/15 Bob Zmolek—8/16/15 Georgie Ann Nekuza-8/23/15 Nathan Gunn—8/23/15 Sr. Genevieve Prochaska-8/30/15 Sr. Redempta Bradley—8/30/15 Betty Jo Culpepper—8/16/15 Analiese Mahaley—8/16/15 Sr. Edna Gonzalez—8/30/15 Johnny/ Mary Ann Hajek-8/30 Rachel Zmolik—8/23/15 Bernadine Zhanel Distasio-8/30 Mary Ann Toupal—8/16/15 Bob Henderson—8/16/15 JoAnn Strunc—8/23/15 Trisha Zabojnik—8/30/15 Catherine Roberts—8/9/15 Jaysen St. Clair—8/16/15 Danny Kubin—8/30/15 Henry Marusak—8/23/15

Mildred Trojacek—8/30/15 David Trojacek—8/30/15 Jane Rychlik—8/16/15 Gregorio Vargas—8/16/15 Nancy Escobar—8/16/15 Bill Hejny—8/30/15 Janie Marusak—8/23/15 Caren Lawrence/ unborn baby-8/30 Tom Tolar—8/16/15 Linda Zabojnik—8/30/15 Johnnie I. Krajca—8/23/15 Helen Slovak—8/2/15 Juan Esparza, Sr.—8/2/15 Martha Wilson—8/2/15 Delbert Frazier—8/2/15 Katheen Alvarez—8/2/15 Nylene Daigle—8/9/15 Shaelyn Rejcek-8/9/15 Hannah Rejcek—8/9/15

Wilma Holt—8/9/15 Richard Mraz—8/9/15 Emil Bolcik—8/16/15 Salome Fira—8/16/15 Margaret Bohuslav-8/16/15 Bill Glaspy—8/16/15 Dee Anderson—8/16/15 Ricky Houston—8/23/15 Bobby Guthrie—8/23/15 Rosie Colie—8/23/15. Sonia Bartolic—8/23/15 Conner Shanahan—8/23/15 Pete Gutierrez—8/23/15 Robert Garcia—8/23/15 Nora Mandujano—8/23/15 Sandy Wheeler—8/23/15 Rebecca Jackson—8/23/15 Daphine Martinez—8/23/15 Maria Sam—8/23/15 MariCruz Cortinas—8/23/15 Hope Torres—8/23/15 Laney Rejcek—8/30/15 Cecilia Cameron—8/30/15 John Forsthoffer—8/30/15 Manuel Castillo—8/30/15 Felipe Garcia—8/30/15