

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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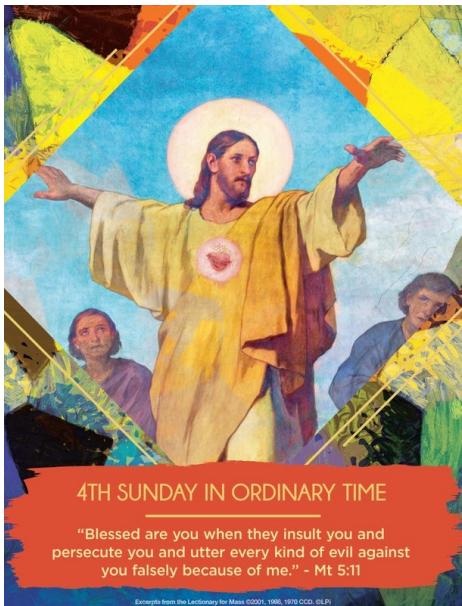
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Parish Office: 830-741-2236 Religious Ed Office: 830-741-2284



**February 1, 2026**



**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Gospel Reading for today is what is popularly called the Sermon on the Mount. Many think it is the absolute epitome of Jesus' teachings. To be sure it tells us how we are to live our lives, the attitudes we are to have. We must remember that those who were waiting and hoping for the Messiah expected a military leader, one who would lead them in battle against their oppressors. In His Sermon on the Mount Jesus gives a more accurate perspective of Who He is. He begins what we call the Beatitudes (the word means "blessings") with "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." In a sense we are all "poor in spirit." Without the guidance and strength provided us by the Lord there is no way we can

escape this poverty of spirit, of spirituality, if you will.

That is why we often say that living God-centered lives is at the very core of stewardship. Being a disciple of Christ translates into being a steward of our many gifts and blessings. Some scholars believe that Jesus may have given this sermon often during His ministry. Those who followed Jesus and became the earliest Christians, the first members of the Church, were fond of quoting and referring to what the Lord said on this occasion. As stated, Jesus provides us with the secret of living a good life. If we rely on Him and follow Him, we will be blessed.

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## Pastoral Council

Rhonda Camacho Genevieve Flores  
Dave Hubalik, Sr. Rose Mary Mares  
Jonathan Velasquez David Hubalik, Jr.  
Marie Zeal

Next meeting - TBD



## Finance Council

Diane Cheney  
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Next meeting - March 17, 2026

## ADORATION with the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Each Thursday - Chapel - 8:30am  
Divine Mercy Chaplet 10:00am  
Followed by Benediction

On the last Thursday of the month, anointing of the sick will follow the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

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Office Manager/Secretary Patti Graff

Bookkeeper Joanne Bowker

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Religious Ed Office Hours:

M,T,TH 10am-6pm Wed.10am-7pm

Closed Daily 12pm-1pm

RE Coord: Julie Urby ~ Clerk:Kris Cardenaz

OCIA(RCIA) Director Mary Jo Peters

## Masses

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday (Spanish Mass) 7:45 am

Sunday 10:00 am

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am

Wed. (Spanish Mass) 6:00 pm

Rosary is prayed 1/2 hr. before each Mass.

## Confession

Saturday at 5:00 pm or by appointment  
After morning Mass on Thursday

## PRE-BAPTISM Classes:

3rd Sunday of the Month

2 pm Religious Education Building

## Must pre-register for class

Contact Parish Office to schedule Baptism.

## MARRIAGES:

Contact Pastor six months in advance.

## QUINCEAÑERAS:

Student must be enrolled and attending RE classes and meet with Pastor.

## FUNERALS:

Contact Parish Office.

## In our Thoughts & Prayers

Patrick Adamietz	Frankie Alvarez
Steven Avila	Genaro Avila
Rosa Barragan	Ramon Barragon
Amador Carillo, Jr.	Ruby Cantu
James Carmona	Rosie Carranza
Alfredo Camacho	Riley Cole
Trine Cuellar	Thomas Cuellar
Tommy Delgado	Grace De Leon
Millie Gonzales	Gloria Espinosa
Vincent Garza	Marissa Ibarra
Lucy Herrera	Tereso O. Hernandez
Ellie Kelsey	Ignacia Hernandez
John Henry Martinez	Alleen Koch
Terry Mendoza	Tony Mendoza
Jerry Neal	Edda Tschirhart
Milo Quintanilla	Lorenzo Ortiz
Gloria Saucedo	
Melissa Puentes	Anna Reyes
Jerry Robles	Lupe Sanchez
Mary Rose Sanchez	Debbie Slover
A.J. Vallez	Joe Ventura, Jr.
Darlene Wiemers	Daniel Wilman
Call 741-2236 to add or remove someone from the list. Names will be kept on the list at least 3 weeks.	

Upcoming Second Collections

February 8, 2026 - Youth Center Building Fund



## Mass Intentions

February 2 - 8, 2026

**Monday - February 2 - No Mass**

Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Tuesday - February 3 - 8am - Chapel**

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

1) † Alfonso Treviño by Family

**Wednesday - February 4 - 8am - Chapel**

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6

1) † Andres Escobar by Family

2) In Thanksgiving to Padre Pio

**Wednesday - February 4 - 6pm - Chapel**

2 Sm 24, 2. 9-17/Sal 31, 1-2. 5. 6. 7/Mc 6, 1-6

1) † Albert Lopez, Sr. by Family

**Thursday - February 5 - 8am - Chapel**

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

1) † Deceased Members of Marie Tschirhart's Family

**Friday - February 6 - 8am - Chapel**

Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

1) Special Intention for Adrian Hutto in  
Remembrance of her Day of Baptism

**Saturday - February 7 - 6pm - Church**

1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

1) † John Graff by Randy & Patti Graff

2) St. John's Parish

**Sunday - February 8 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church**

Is 58, 7-10/Sal 111, 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/1 Co 2, 1-5/Mt 5, 13-16

1) † Agapito Contreras by Epifanio Contreras  
2) † Ernesto "Chico" Garcia by Gilbert Alcaraz  
3) † Guadalupe Hernandez by Family

**Sunday - February 8 - 10am - Church**

Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

1) † Ronnie Ulbrich by Family

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

All parishioners are invited to spend some time with our Lord  
Jesus in Blessed Sacrament every Thursday  
after the 8:00am Mass in the Chapel.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed at 10am  
followed by the benediction at 10:30am.

Anointing of the sick Last Thursday after Divine Mercy Chaplet.

## Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday, February 7, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Randy Graff

Ministers of Hospitality: Gizmo Freeman  
Marcy Zerr, Luis Ramos

Commentator: Tennille Lessing

Lector: Diane Mann

Sacristan: Patti Graff

Extraordinary Ministers: Yvonne Stein  
Paul Tschirhart, Rose Mary Mares

Altar Servers: Victoria Fuentez  
Adalynn Fuentez, Julia Fuentez

Sunday, February 8, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Genoveva Medina

Ministers of Hospitality: Henry Torres  
Ray Ybarra, Efrain Rodriguez

Commentator: Genoveva Medina

Lector: Ruben Medina

Sacristan: Diane Ybarra

Extraordinary Ministers: Diane Ybarra  
Dora Ojeda, Mary Ann Garcia

Altar Servers: Lilliana Cahue,  
Samuel Rosales, Biana Gonzales

Send bulletin items to:  
parishsecretary@stjohnnevangelist.org  
Deadline is noon Monday to be printed that weekend.

## St. John's Calendar of Events

**Sunday, February 1:**

\*8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building  
Teen ACTS Plate Sale

**Monday, February 2:**

\*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

**Tuesday, February 3:**

\*10am-noon - St. Vincent de Paul Assistance

\*6pm - ACTS Core - RE Building

**Wednesday, February 4:**

\*4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Room  
\*6pm - Faith Formation - RE Building

**Thursday, February 5:**

**Friday, February 6:**

**Saturday, February 7:**

\*5pm - Confessions Church

**Sunday, February 8:**

\*10am Mass - Children's Liturgy  
Confirmation Day-Retreat

**Ashes for Ash Wednesday are made by  
burning the blessed palms that were distributed  
last Palm Sunday.**

**Bring your palms to Mass and place them in the box  
at the back of church to be burned for  
Ash Wednesday which is on February 18, 2026.**

**If you would like to purchase altar flowers in  
honor of a special person or occasion please  
call the Parish Office to make arrangements  
for the date of your choice.**

**Altar Flowers this week are in celebration  
of the 58th Wedding Anniversary  
of Russ & Aurora Crooks**

**Sunday, February 8, 2026 10am**

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Alda Barrera

Ministers of Hospitality: Paul Arredondo  
Steve Wilson, Joe Guajardo

Commentator: Aurora Crooks

Lector: Rhonda Jolley Cantor: Choir

Sacristan: Nancy Beck

Extraordinary Ministers: Linda Fillinger, Renae McNeil  
Denise Oefinger, Ashton Rogers

Altar Servers: Bryson Howard, Kinsey Rogers  
A'Elizabeth Rogers

**Thank You to our Volunteers!**

February Altar Care: Judy Williams, Patti Graff

Small Linens: Mary Griffin, Marcellyn Botello

Bingo: Lisa Lilie

Hospital Visitation: Denise Oefinger, Marie Tschirhart

**St. Vincent de Paul**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will see clients "in person" only (no phone calls) at their office in the Religious Ed Building on Tuesdays 10am—12 noon.



In the Gospel today Jesus gives us the Beatitudes, which embody a radically alternative vision of life and we find that God indeed calls us to blessedness.

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul proclaims the gospel of the kingdom and brings healing to the broken hearts of those who live in poverty.

Thank you for your continued support!

**St. John's Wine Tasting**

Friday, February 13, 2026  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
\$50 per person

Includes a selection of wines paired with heavy hors d'oeuvres, frozen sangria, and a variety of beer.

Look forward to cash games, raffles, music, and lots of fun!

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**February 4, 2026 Jr. High Youth Ministry**

**Grades 6-8 at the Annex 7pm**

**Join us for music, fellowship, food & fun!**

**Monday Night BINGO  
needs YOU!**

All proceeds from BINGO go to our

faith formation program

so that children can attend classes at no cost.

Please consider helping just one Monday evening each month.

Please, call the parish office if you can help.

**Happy Birthday!**

**2/2** Garland Bader, Peyton Halbardier, Zachary Howell, Brett Hutto, Jordan Perez, Lupe Sanchez, John Wheaton

**2/3** Carol Acuna, Kristofer Aguirre, Victoria Bustos, Enrique Garza, Gene Gomez, Xavier Lopez, Kenneth Navarro, Chastity Ortiz, Angela Requena

**2/4** Erik Carrero, Jesse De Leon, Robert Knight, Cathy Mechler, Zachariah Vidal, Ramon Ybarra

**2/5** Kate Alvarez, Ariana Luna, Juanita Mendoza, Chelsea Ortiz

**2/6** Kallie Escamilla, Kieron Hubalik, Miah Samaniego, Robert Tschirhart

**2/7** Erick Requena

**2/8** Rhianna Correa, Jeremy Padron, Mercedes Rodriguez, Oakley Ruiz, Sabino Solorio Villaseñor

**Fish Fry****Knights of Columbus Council 7163****Lenten Fish Fry**

**February 20 and March 27, 2026**

**5:30pm - 6:30pm**

**\$10/plate St. John's Parish Hall**

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