

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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Religious Ed Office: 830-741-2284



**April 19, 2026**

**Third Sunday of Easter**



Today's readings focus on a theme of "sojourning." As Christian stewards, we know our lives are a sojourn toward the ultimate destination of heaven. Our Gospel passage today describes the sojourn of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. The two are dejected and despondent after Jesus' death. They knew Jesus personally. They had heard the Gospel message directly from His lips. They heard the testimony of the women who discovered our Lord's empty tomb and saw a vision of angels announcing He was alive. They had been informed by other disciples who went to the tomb that all was exactly as the women reported. How much more obvious could the Good News be?

And yet, at times, the reaction of the two disciples describes our own stewardship journey, doesn't it?

We have the fullness of the Catholic faith, the power of the sacraments, and the support of our parish family. Yet, we often lose our way. We fail to see all the gifts we have been given. We lack trust in the perfect goodness and almighty power of God.

But notice what happens to the two men when their eyes are opened once again, and they recognize Jesus in the Eucharist — the "breaking of the bread." They are transformed! Their hearts are set on fire with love for the Lord and for their faith. They recall that their hearts began "burning within" as the Lord was explaining the Scriptures to them. When we find we have lost our way, we can go to the same sources as the two disciples on the road to Emmaus — the Scriptures and the Eucharist.

In this Easter season, resolve to feast deeply on these two sources of grace. They are the fuel that will propel us on our journey toward heaven.

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Parish Office Open M-Th 9am-4pm

Office Manager/Secretary Patti Graff

Bookkeeper Joanne Bowker

Maintenance Supervisor James Schoellman

Custodial Staff: Tony Ortiz, Genoveva Medina,  
Alma Garcia

Rel. Ed Office Hours: M,T,TH 10a-6p Wed. 10a-7p  
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 Ida Arcos  
Eva Arcos Steven Avila Genaro Avila  
Rosa Barragan Ramon Barragon Ruby Cantu  
Amador Carillo, Jr. Rosie Carranza  
James Carmona Riley Cole  
Alfredo Camacho Thomas Cuellar  
Trine Cuellar Grace De Leon  
Tommy Delgado Gloria Espinosa  
Marissa Ibarra Vincent Garza  
Tereso O. Hernandez Lucy Herrera  
Ignacia Hernandez Alleen Koch  
Ramona Koch Cord Lassere  
John Henry Martinez Tony Mendoza  
Edda Tschirhart Jerry Neal  
Milo Quintanilla Lorenzo Ortiz  
John Paul Rodriguez Gloria Saucedo  
Melissa Puentes Lupe Pimentel 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.

## Pastoral Council

Rhonda Camacho Genevieve Flores  
Dave Hubalik, Sr. Rose Mary Mares  
Jonathan Velasquez David Hubalik, Jr.  
Marie Zeal  
Next meeting - June 18, 2026



## Finance Council

Diane Cheney  
Rey Bernal Kim Schoellman  
Robert Knight Stephen Long  
Next meeting - June 11, 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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March 28/29, 2026

Mass Attendance 616  
Regular Collection \$7,153.00  
Children's Offering 66.00  
Youth Ctr Capital Project 1,875.00

**Thank you!**

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<https://www.givecentral.org/pew-card/941>

Or, text to give using the keyword **SUNDAY** at: 830-218-1667

Upcoming Second Collections

April 26, 2026 - Assumption Seminary

May 3, 2026 - Catholic Home Missions Appeal



## Mass Intentions

**April 20 - 26, 2026**

**Monday - April 20 - No Mass**

Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday - April 21 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

1) † Maria Treviño Harmon by Treviño Family

**Wednesday - April 22 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

1) † Paul Lutz by Elaine Melton

**Wednesday - April 22 - 6pm(Spanish) - Chapel**

Hch 8, 1b-8/ Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 6, 35-40

1) St. John's Parish

**Thursday - April 23 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 8:26-40/ Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

1) † Becky Shannon by Rita Vance

2) † Millie Gonzales by Marie Tschirhart

**Friday - April 24 - 8am - Chapel**

1 Pt 5:5b-14/ Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

1) Living & Deceased Members of Society of St. Vincent de Paul

**Saturday - April 25 - 6pm - Church**

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

1) † Gerald Adamietz by Anis Adamietz

2) † Isaac Morin by Family

3) † Barry Gear by Delwin & Darlene Wiemers

**Sunday - April 26 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church**

Hch 2, 14. 36-41/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/1 Pe 2, 20-25/Jn 10, 1-10

1) St. John's Paris

**Sunday - April 27 - 10am - Church**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

1) † Wesley Beck by Family

2) Special Intention for Rory Crooks on his birthday by Mom and Dad

3) Special Intention for Fr. Babychan on his Birthday by Russ & Aurora Crooks

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

## St. John's Calendar of Events

**Sunday, April 19:**

\*8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building

\*2pm - Baptism Pred Class - RE Building

**Monday, April 20:**

\*6pm - Adult Confirmation - RE Building

\*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

**Tuesday, April 21:**

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

**Wednesday, April 22:**

**Thursday, April 23:**

**Friday, April 24:**

\*6:30 - El Grupo de Oración en Español - La Capilla

**Saturday, April 25:**

*\* Spring Fling \**

\*5pm - Confessions - Church

**Sunday, April 26:**

**St. John's Finance Council is Seeking New Members**

Please give prayerful consideration to serving on the Finance Council. We are currently accepting nominations for new members. Your gifts and willingness to serve are vital to our parish community. Nomination forms are available at the back of the church or in the parish office. Thank you!



Altar Flowers this week are in memory  
of Elton & Mary Lutz  
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, April 25, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud

Ministers of Hospitality: Marcy Zerr,

Charlie Arcos, Gizmo Freeman

Commentator: Diane Mann

Lector: Rose Scholtz

Sacristan: Diane Mann

Extraordinary Ministers: Veronica Valenzuela,

Paul Tschirhart, Yvonne Stein

Altar Servers: Ann Wheaton, Penelope Rivera,

Charlotte Hubalik

Sunday, April 26, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Yolanda Requena

Ministers of Hospitality: Henry Torres,

Gabriel Rodriguez, Augustine De Leon

Commentator: Ruben Hernandez

Lector: Refugio Herrera

Sacristan: Janie Hernandez

Extraordinary Ministers: Janie Hernandez,

Mary Ann Garcia, Efrain Rodriguez

Altar Servers: Lilliana Cahue, Samuel Rosales,

Biankka Gonzales

Sunday, April 26, 2026 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Renae McNiel

Ministers of Hospitality: Kyle Roberts,

Edgar Camacho, Paul Arredondo

Commentator: Christine Ortega

Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Rose Aelvoet

Sacristan: Michele Rothe

Extraordinary Ministers: Nancy Beck,

Ashton Rogers, Denise Oefinger, Elaine Melton

Altar Servers: Bryson Howard, Brynlee Howard,

Liana Rios

### Thank You to our Volunteers

April Altar Care: Cathy Mechler, Irene Montgomery  
Small Linens: Selena Knight, Maureen Principe

Bingo: Marcelyn Botello, Michele Rothe  
Hospital Visitation: Judy Williams, Janice Whitehead

### 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 stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!"

During Mass we turn to each other and say, "Peace be with you!" When you give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you say, "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.

Thank you for your continued support!

## Youth Ministry

April 22, 2026

St. John's Youth Ministry Choir Practice  
7pm in the Annex to prepare for Youth Mass on Sunday April 26th.

**Graduating High School Seniors**  
Catholic Life Insurance Branch #80 and St. John's Guadalupe Society has applications available at the Parish Office and at the Religious Ed Office for Senior Awards. Pick one up, fill it out and return to the office by May 7th.

You do not need to be a Catholic Life member to apply.

## Happy Birthday!

- 4/20 Felicia Alvarado, Julia Fuentez, Judith Ortiz, Brittany Ortiz, Gladys Samaniego, Leonard Zinsmeyer
- 4/21 Ernest Barrientes, Abby De Leon, Savannah Rangel, Juan Rivera, Ann Gay Walker
- 4/22 Zayden Guedea, Roy Moreno, Patricia Rodriguez, Journey Rodriguez
- 4/23 Mia Garcia, Patricia Gonzales, Sylvia Morales, Manuel Padron, Juliza Pimentel-Flores, Miguel Rangel
- 4/24 Roland De Leon, Jorge Fernandez, Romeo Rincon, Jessica Romo
- 4/25 Avigail Mora
- 4/26 Caden Malinovsky, Samantha Mendoza, Samuel Rosales

**Save the Date!**  
**Chili Cook Off**  
Hosted by St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

**APRIL 25TH**  
11AM - 5:00PM  
Great Food • Music & More!

**WELCOME**  
THIS IS GOD'S COUNTRY  
PLEASE DON'T  
DRIVE THROUGH IT  
LIKE HELL.

HONDO, TEXAS

Join us for a Community Event featuring a Chili Cookoff, 5K Run, Silent Auction, Jewelry Boutique, Country Store, Granny's Greenhouse, Bingo and more!

Bring your family and friends to enjoy an afternoon of fellowship, food, and fun!

Scan here to register as a contestant!  
Or call (210) 260-1943

All proceeds benefit the Youth Pavilion

**The Wine Tasting Event** was held on February 13, 2026. I would like to express my gratitude to the A.C.T.S. Core for all their dedication for making this event successful. A special thank you to the Hutto family for all their hard work and dedication to this event. I thank all of you from the bottom of my heart. Results from all the hard work:  
**Total Wine Tasting profit was \$6,310.89**



ACTS is now seeking nominations for **Men's Acts Retreat 2026 Director** please contact ACTS Core with nominations.

**St. John's/Holy Cross ACTS Core 2024-2025 OFFICERS**  
Lorraine Lopez - Facilitator  
Audrey Garza - Finance Coord.  
Tony Ortiz - Co-Facilitator  
Stephen Wilson - Communications Coord.  
Lorraine Lopez 830-426-9220

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