

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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October 19, 2025

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and in our parish community. Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great lengths to describe this judge, saying he "neither feared God nor respected any human." Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment

because of the widow's persistence.

Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him. If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us. Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.

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Parish Office Open M-Th 9am-4pm

Office Manager/Secretary Patti Graff

Bookkeeper Joanne Bowker

Maintenance Supervisor James Schoellman

Custodian Tony Ortiz

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
Ruby Cantu	
Rosie Carranza	James Carmona
Riley Cole	Alfredo Camacho
Thomas Cuellar	Trine Cuellar
Grace De Leon	Tommy Delgado
Gloria Espinosa	Tim Favor
Jacqueline Garcia	Barry Gear
Marissa Ibarra	Vincent Garza
Tereso O. Hernandez	Lucy Herrera
Ignacia Hernandez	Ellie Kelsey
Alleen Koch	
John Henry Martinez	Tony Mendoza
Terry Mendoza	Edda Tschirhart
Jerry Neal	Milo Quintanilla
Lorenzo Ortiz	
Gloria Saucedo	Maureen Principe
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.

Pastoral Council

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



Finance Council

Diane Cheney
 Rey Bernal Kim Schoellman
 Robert Knight Stephen Long
 Next Meeting:
 December 11, 2025 5pm

October 11/12, 2025

Mass Attendance	492
Regular Collection	\$ 6,372.68
Children's Offering	77.00
Hope for the Future	648.75

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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.

Upcoming Second Collections

TODAY! October 19 - World Mission Sunday

November 2 - Black Bag Collection for St. Vincent de Paul



Mass Intentions

October 20 - 26, 2025

Monday - October 20 - 8am - No Mass

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday - October 21 - 8am - Chapel

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

- 1) † Maria Treviño Harmon by Treviño Family
- 2) † Rosa V. Moreno by Children

Wednesday - October 22 - 8am - Chapel

Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

- 1) † Leanna Ruiz by Aunt Jeanie P. Gomez

Wednesday - October 22- 6pm (Spanish) - Chapel

Rom 6, 12-18/Sal 123, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8/Lc 12, 39-48

- 1) † Rosa V. Moreno by Children

Thursday - October 23 - 8am - Chapel

Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

- 1) † Rodolfo Moreno, Sr. by Children

Friday - October 24 - 8am - Chapel

Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

- 1) † Rodolfo Moreno, Sr. by Children
- 2) Living & Deceased Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday - October 25 - 6pm - Church

Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

- 1) † Kenneth Bendele by Mary Bendele & Family
- 2) St. John's Parish

Sunday - October 26- 7:45am(Spanish)- Church

Ecl 35, 12-14, 16-18/Sal 33, 2-3. 17-18. 19. 23(7)/2Tim 4, 6-8. 16-18/Lc 18, 9-14

- 1) † Eric Torres by Delma Torres & Family
- 2) † Monico S. Mendoza by Carlos & Maria Mendoza
- 3) † Sergio Rodriguez by Ernie & Eva Cortez

Sunday - October 26 - 10am - Church

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

- 1) † Michael Reyes by Jo Ann Reyes
- 2) † Lucia Alcaez by Lita Garcia & Family
- 3) Deceased Members of Cyril Van Damme Family by Cyril & Joyce Van Damme

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8am Mass on Thursday in the Chapel. Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed at 10am, followed by Benediction at 10:30.

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 19:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation Classes - RE Bldg
- *10am Mass - Children's Liturgy
- *2pm - Baptism Prep Class - RE Bldg

Monday, October 20:

- *7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

Tuesday, October 21:

- *10am-noon - St. Vincent de Paul Assistance
- *6pm - Matachines Practice - Church

Wednesday, October 22:

- *5:30pm - Rosary in the Prayer Garden
- *6pm - Faith Formation Classes - RE Bldg
- *7pm - High School Youth Ministry - Annex

Thursday, October 23:

- *4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Room

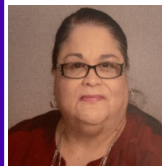
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Saturday, October 25:

- *5pm - Confessions - Church

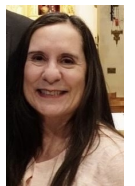
Sunday, October 26:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation Classes - RE Bldg
- *10am - Youth Mass
- *11:30am - Danza Practice - Church



*Best Wishes to
Sylvia Fernandez
A heartfelt "thank you" for your
years of dedication to St. John's.*

*Welcome, Julie Urby!
Wishing you all the best in
your role as RE Coordinator.*



Quinceañera - Ava De Leon

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday, October 25, 2025 6pm

(Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud

Ministers of Hospitality: Luis Ramos,

Charlie Arcos, Gizmo Freeman

Commentator: Theresa Gilliam

Lector: Rose Aelvoet

Sacristan: Rita Vance(Tennille Lessing)

Extraordinary Ministers: Yvonne Stein

Paul Tschirhart, Rose Scholtz

Altar Servers: Marinda Knight, Evelyn Knight

Luke Smith Music: David B.

Sunday, October 26, 2025 7:45am

(Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Norma Gutierrez

Ministers of Hospitality: Henry Torres,

Raul Carrillo, Augustine De Leon

Commentator: Ruben Hernandez

Lector: Refugio Herrera

Sacristan: Janie Hernandez

Extraordinary Ministers: Janie Hernandez,

Mary Ann Garcia, Charlie Martinez

Altar Servers: CharEllez Maxie,

Marco Gonzales, Andre Guerrero

Sunday, October 26, 2025 10am

(Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Renae McNiel

Ministers of Hospitality: Pat Stein, Clarence McNiel

Joe Guajardo

Commentator: Lisa Miller

Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Cindy Jones

Sacristan: Amanda Guedea

Extraordinary Ministers: Blake Halbardier,

Michele Rothe, Elaine Melton, Denise Oefinger

Altar Servers: Victoria Fuentez, Jett Gonzales,

Andrea Guedea

Thank You to our Volunteers!

October Altar Care: Aurora Crooks, Gloria Bendele
 Small Linens: Rita Vance, Patti Graff
 Bingo: Michele Rothe, Marcelyn Botello
 Hospital Visitation: Rose Scholtz, Linda Fillinger

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 tells his disciples to pray always
 without becoming weary. Indeed our prayer must always be
 an expression of our love for God, our family, our world, and
 especially for the suffering poor.

*As you make your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 Poor, please say a special prayer for the poor who have no
 one to pray for them.*

Thank you for your continued support!

Get a head start donating food to the Medina County Food Pantry for the upcoming holidays!

These items are most needed for the holidays...

Stove Top Dressing Canned Corn Canned Green Beans
 Evaporated Milk Turkey Gravy Packets Canned Yams
 Canned Cranberry Sauce Boxed Instant Mashed Potatoes
 Cream of Mushroom Soup Fried Onions Canned Fruit Cocktail
 Canned Pumpkin Boxed Brownie/Cake Mix Flour Oil Sugar
 Thank you for supporting the Medina County Food Pantry with items to brighten
 your neighbor's holiday!

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary

Join us for Rosary in the Prayer Garden

every Wednesday in October at 5:30pm (Bring your own chair)

Invite a friend & use this as a way to foster a
 deeper love for the Rosary & inspire hearts to
 embrace its timeless power.

Thank You! The St. John's Rummage Sale was a huge success!
 We thank God for our amazing volunteers and generous donors.
 Michele Mechler for her help and encouragement, and Fr. John for
 his blessing and support. Your time, energy, and spirit helped raise
 over \$7,000 for the St. John's Youth Project! We are deeply grateful
 to everyone who donated, worked, and prayed for this event.

With Heartfelt Thanks, Linda Tschirhart, Dora Ojeda & Festival Committee

Lumen Gentium Award

This award will be bestowed upon an individual Catholic member, or
 couple, of our parish who has demonstrated by their life, service and
 ministry a participation in the mission of Christ Jesus and the Church.

*If you know a deserving parishioner or couple from St. John's, please
 complete a nomination form from the back of church or at the Parish
 Office & return the completed form to the Parish Office by Nov. 23, 2025.*

St. John the Evangelist Senior Citizen Turkey Dinner Sunday, November 2, 2025 St. John's Parish Hall 11:30 am

This meal is for those who are
 at least 65 years of age.
 Dine-in
 or Delivery for Homebound
 NO Drive-up Service



Sign-up Forms are available
 at the back of church or
 the Parish Office.
 Please sign-up no later than
 October 28th



St. John's Youth Ministry

High School Grades 9 through 12TH
MEET WEDNESDAY, Oct. 22nd, AT 7 PM IN THE ANNEX
 MUSIC, FRIENDS, FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FUN
Youth Mass Sunday, October 26th at 10 am

Happy Birthday!

10/20 Aubrianna Garza, Paul Rodriguez, Jeremiah Tapia,
 Joshua Torres

10/21 Patricia Barrientes, Carlos Contreras, Rubi
 Covarrubias, Xochitl DeAvila-Sanchez, David Foster,
 Raelynn Hernandez, Adam Soliz, Logan Wren

10/22 Fred Bader, Reanne Hernandez, Saul
 Mendoza, Steven Oefinger, Aiden Pimentel

10/23 Theodora Gomez, Prysilla Ramon

10/24 Victoria Fuentez, Alessandra Ortiz, Jacob Rangel,
 Terry Tilley

10/25 Roberto Curiel, Robert Fohn, Terri Johnson,
 George Martinez

Adult Confirmation

St. John's will offer an Adult Confirmation class to prepare for Confirma-
 tion in December at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Selma, TX. The
 class is an intense 8-week study program that will begin **Monday,**
October 27 at 6 pm in the Religious Education Building. You can
 sign up at the first meeting.

The class is for any Catholic adult who has been Baptized and received
 First Eucharist but still needs the third sacrament of Initiation –
 Confirmation. There will be another Adult Confirmation class offered in
 the Spring. These participants will be confirmed when the Bishop visits
 St. John's in Hondo.

For more information, please contact
 Mary Jo Peters 830-426-1181 or call the parish office.

All Souls Day Photo Display in Church

We are preparing for All Souls Day photo display. Bring photos
 of your departed loved ones to the Parish Office. Make sure your
 name and phone number are on the back of the photo so that
 they can be returned to you at the end of November.

All Souls Day Mass Intention Envelopes

Available in the
 church entrance or
 Parish Office.
 Please return them by
 October 27, 2024
 These will stay on the
 altar throughout the
 month of November.



Luminary Service at the Cemetery November 3, 2024

Blessing of Graves 4:30pm
 Service 5:30pm
 Purchase luminaries using
 the forms at the back of
 church.
 Return forms to
 RE Office

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