

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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**May 17, 2026**

**The Ascension of the Lord**



**7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you." - Jn 17:1

Today we celebrate the great feast of the Ascension of our Lord — that moment when Jesus, 40 days after His Resurrection, was lifted up into heaven as the apostles looked on.

It must have been an extraordinary sight. But the first reading tells us they were not meant to stand there for long. "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?" In other words — don't just stand there. Do something.

This is a message for us as Christian stewards. We have been given every grace and blessing — through the Mass and the sacraments, through the Word of God, and through the gifts of our time, talent, and treasure.

We are not meant to simply receive these gifts. We are meant to use them — in gratitude to the One who gave them.

Like the apostles, we are called "to be [His] witnesses... to the ends of the earth." And we do this not by our own strength, but through the power of the Holy Spirit at work within us.

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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

John Henry Martinez Cord Lassere

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Milo Quintanilla Jerry Neal

John Paul Rodriguez Lorenzo Ortiz

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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May 9/10, 2026

Mass Attendance 728

Regular Collection \$6,940.00

Children's Offering 82.00

St. Vincent de Paul 1,517.00

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Upcoming Second Collections

June 7, 2026 - Priest's Pension Collection



## Mass Intentions

**May 18 - 24, 2026**

**Monday - May 18 - No Mass**

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday - May 19 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

- 1) † Maria Treviño Harmon by Treviño Family
- 2) † Ramona Koch by Bill & Judy Williams

**Wednesday - May 20 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

- 1) † Tom Zuberbueler by Family
- 2) Special Intention for Fr. John on his birthday by his daily Mass church friends

**Wednesday - May 20 - 6pm(Spanish) - Chapel**

Hch 20, 28-38/ Sal 67, 29-30, 33-35, 35-36/Jn 17, 11-19

- 1) St. John's Parish

**Thursday - May 21 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

- 1) Special Intention for Dawson Wesley Hutto in Remembrance of his day of baptism

**Friday - May 22 - 8am - Chapel**

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

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

**Saturday - May 23 - 6pm - Church**

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

- 1) † Gerald Adamietz by Anise Adamietz
- 2) † John C. Dudley by Terry & Maxine Dudley
- 3) † Isaac Morin by Family

**Sunday - May 24 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church**

Hch 2, 1-11/Sal 103, 1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Co 12, 3-7, 12-13/Jn 20, 19-23

- 1) La Familia Mora-Vega
- 2) St. John's Parish

**Sunday - May 24 - 10am - Church**

Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

- 1) † Elisandro Salazar Family by Ernesto Salazar
- 2) † Lupita Hernandez by Ernesto Salazar
- 3) † Ernesto Garcia by Lita Garcia

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

## St. John's Calendar of Events

**Sunday, May 17:**

- \*10am Mass - Senior Mass for HHS Graduates  
Children's Liturgy

**Monday, May 18:**

- \*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

**Tuesday, May 19:**

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

**Wednesday, May 20:**

*Happy Birthday to Fr. John!*

- \*2pm - Altar Society Meeting - Parish Hall Mtg.Rm.

**Thursday, May 21:**

**Friday, May 22:**

**Saturday, May 23:**

- \*5pm - Confessions - Church

**Sunday, May 24:**

- \*2pm - Baptism Prep Class - RE Bldg.



*At St. John's recently*

*Baptisms ~*

*Joby Lopez & Jayc Lopez*

*Quinceañera - BianKKa Gonzales*



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.

### 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, May 23, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud  
Ministers of Hospitality: Randy Graff,  
Fred Schueling, Charlie Arcos  
Commentator: Theresa Gilliam  
Lector: Patti Graff  
Sacristan: Rita Vance  
Extraordinary Ministers: Ellen Schueling  
Yvonne Stein, Julie Urby  
Altar Servers: Cyley Lopez, Penelope Rivera,  
Levi Smith

Sunday, May 24, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Yolanda Requena  
Ministers of Hospitality: Henry Torres,  
Raul Carrillo, Jerry Lopez  
Commentator: Refugio Herrera  
Lector: Ruben Hernandez  
Sacristan: Janie Hernandez  
Extraordinary Ministers: Janie Hernandez,  
Mary Ann Garcia, Caroline Trujillo  
Altar Servers: Biankka Gonzales,  
Kenzlie Yturarte, Julie Cahue

Sunday, May 24, 2026 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Judy Williams  
Ministers of Hospitality: Pat Stein, Steve Wilson,  
Joe Guajardo  
Commentator: Jonathan Campbell  
Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Aurora Crooks  
Sacristan: Michele Rothe  
Extraordinary Ministers: Linda Fillingner,  
Lindsey Campbell, Blake Halbardier, Elaine Melton  
Altar Servers: Victoria Bustos, Jagger Garza,  
Olivia Aleman

## Thank You to our Volunteers

May Altar Care: Rosa Garacia, Dorothy Torres  
 Small Linens: Marcelyn Botello, Diane Ybarra  
 Bingo: Michele Rothe, Marcelyn Botello  
 Hospital Visitation: Selena Knight, Mary Jo Peters

### 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.

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us. *Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.*  
 Thank you for your continued support!

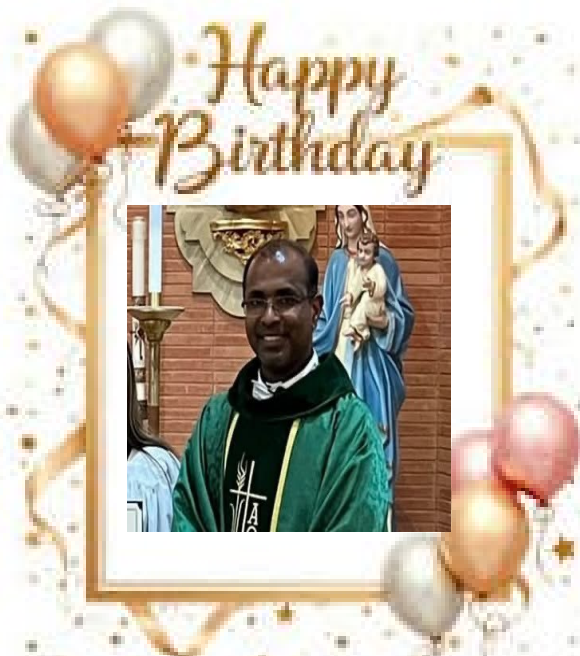


### Monday Night BINGO needs YOU!

All BINGO proceeds 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 contact James Schoellman or Tony Ortiz or call the parish office if you can help.

## Happy Birthday!

- 5/18 Quinn Hubalik, Jose Mares, Uriel Nolasco, Felic Treviño
- 5/19 Monalisa Escamilla, Matthew Garcia, Alfredo Mora, Joshua Palacios, Andrea Sandoval, Caylee Schumane, Linda J. Smith
- 5/20 Fr. John Cyriac, Destini Gutierrez, Crystal Mora, Frank Romano, Teresa Tellez, Kaylahni Rodriguez
- 5/21 Derrick Benavides, Santa Hernandez, Faith Hernandez, Brandon Perez, Jared Treviño, Araceli Valdez
- 5/22 Ernesto Cortez, Dylan Krawitz, Makailah Rivera, Amanda Rodriguez, Delwin Wiemers
- 5/23 Kristen Arcos, Luis G. Cordova
- 5/24 Felix Alarcon, Kylee Luna, Joseph Moore, Cheyenne Saenz, Alberto Salazar



*May 20th ~ Cheers to 50 years!*

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**Altar Society Meeting**  
 Wednesday, May 20, 2026  
 2pm Parish Hall Meeting Room

ACTS is now seeking nominations for **Men's Acts Retreat 2027 Director** please contact ACTS Core with nominations.

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

**VIRTUS**  
**(Safe Environment Training)**  
 Thursday ~ June 11, 2026  
 5:30pm  
 Religious Education Building

**VIRTUS...**Not one person, not even one Archdiocese, can protect all children / vulnerable adults. Abuse is an epidemic problem in our entire society but we intend to do everything we can to stop it. We are offering *Child/ Adult Safety* instruction to protect children, youth, vulnerable adults. We will also educate parents who have a responsibility to safeguard the children in their care. *Children / Vulnerable Adults cannot protect themselves from a predator.* We know they need trusted and loving adults in whom they can confide any concern or fear. You are that person and we want to work with you for the good of all children/ vulnerable adults in this Archdiocese. Spanish and English classes will be offered. This is a responsibility we cannot push off on someone else. This is our responsibility. You may call the Office of Victim Assistance and Safe Environment at 210-734-7786 or toll free 1-877-700-1888, or call Fr. John at 830-741-2236.