

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

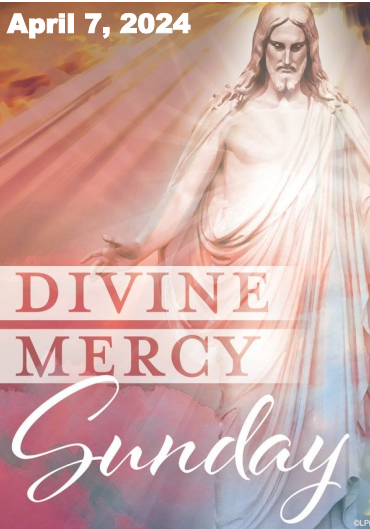
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April 7, 2024



Written in the Wounds

For all the condemnation Thomas the Doubter has received in 2000 years of homilies, I think there's something to admire in him. Thomas is not unique. We all waver at some point, overcome by hesitation, distracted by the clamor of the world which seeks at every turn to shout above the whisper of the divine. Thomas knows what he saw on Good Friday: his friend nailed to a cross, a sword driven through his body. He saw the blood and the water. He saw these things with his own eyes, eyes given to him by God, eyes which have never failed him before. And God doesn't ask us to suspend reality to believe in Him. He only asks us to be discerning about how that reality is interpreted in our hearts.

Thomas knows the man before him is either a fraud, preying on the hopes and anxieties of the traumatized disciples, or he is the Christ, the Savior of the world, accomplisher of impossible things. But where to look, to tell the difference? Satan once appeared to the great mystic saint, Teresa of Avila, disguised as Jesus. She knew instantly that he was a fraud. Enraged, he demanded to know where his deception had failed. "You have no wounds," she told him simply. Could we have accepted a savior who did not bleed? I don't think we could, because sooner or later, we would all stand before him and say, "Here is where the world hurt me. Here, and here, and here. What about you?" Christ can point to his hands, his feet, his side. "Here, and here, and here," he can say. "And I overcame them all." It's the wounds, you see. The truth is in the wounds. Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" ~John 20:28

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

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Parish Office Open M-F 9am-4pm
 Office Manager/Secretary Patti Graff
 Bookkeeper Annabel Deibler
 Maintenance Supervisor James Schoellman
 Custodian Tony Ortiz
 Part-time Custodian Eufasio Castillo
 Religious Ed Office open M-F 9:30am-4pm
 DRE Sylvia Fernandez (Tues 10am-4pm)
 Office Clerk Kris Cardenas
 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	Heather Ahr
Frankie Alvarez	Steven Avila
Genaro Avila	Brian Bader
Tommie Bragdon	John Bauer
Chris Cole	Valerie Cole
Riley Cole	Thomas Cuellar
Trina Cuellar	Grace De Leon
Tommy Delgado	Kimberly Escamilla
Tim Favor	Leila Fuentes
Rosa Garcia	Sawyer Gilly
Marissa Ibarra	Vincent Garza
Lucy Herrera	Alleen Koch
John Henry Martinez	Tony Mendoza
Jerry Neal	Milo Quintanilla
Lorenzo Ortiz	Anna Reyes
Jerry Robles	Lupe Sanchez
Mary Rose Sanchez	Juan Ybarra
Gonzalo Torres	A.J. Vallez
Joe Ventura, Jr.	Darlene Wiemers
Daniel Willman	

Call 741-2236 to add or remove someone from the list. Names will be kept on the list a minimum of 3 weeks.

Pastoral Council
 Genevieve Flores Katie Haby
 Keith Howard Brett Hutto
 Ryan Lessing Rose Mary Mares
 Michele Mechler

Next Pastoral Council Meeting Apr. 18, 2024 6pm

Next Finance Council Meeting June 20, 2024 5pm

Finance Council
 Diane Cheney
 Rey Bernal
 Robert Knight
 Stephen Long
 Connie Shullanberger

Mass Attendance Mar. 23/24 662 Mar. 30/31 1,137

CONTRIBUTIONS Weekly Parish Goal: \$7,000

	March 23/24	March 30/31
Regular Offering	\$6,590.00	\$8,118.00
Building Fund/Maintenance	60.00	125.00
Children's Offering	148.65	270.00
Holy Land		1,278.50
Operation Rice Bowl		1,274.00

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! April 7, 2024 - St. John's Youth Building Fund
 April 21, 2024 - Assumption Seminary

MASS Intentions

April 8 - 14, 2024

MONDAY - April 8 - No Mass

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

TUESDAY - April 9 - 8am - Chapel:

Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

- 1) † Alfonso Treviño by Family
- 2) † Dorothy Graff by Janet Bradley
- 3) † Johnny Silva, Sr. by Jeanie and Friends

WEDNESDAY - April 10 - 8am - Chapel:

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

- 1) † Jean Marty by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Lutz
- 2) to Our Lady of Guadalupe by Mary Mendoza

WEDNESDAY - April 10 - 6pm (Spanish)- Chapel:

Hch 5, 17-26/Sal 33, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3, 16-21

- 1) † Ray Tapia & Teofilo Ybarra by Family

THURSDAY - April 11 - 8am - Chapel:

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

- 1) † Allen Boehme by Gail & Carolyn Boehme
- 2) † Dorothy Graff by Marie Tschirhart

FRIDAY - April 12 - 8am - Chapel:

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

- 1) † Dorothy Graff by David & Gloria Bendele
- 2) † Erna Balzen by Louis & Susie Rothe

SATURDAY - April 13 - 6pm - Church:

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

- 1) † Allen Boehme by Mr. & Mrs. Paul Lutz
- 2) † Tomasa Gauna by Daughter and Family
- 3) † Isaac Morin by Family

SUNDAY - April 14 - 7:45am (Spanish) - Church

Hch 3, 13-15, 17-19/Sal 4, 2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7)/1 Jn 2, 1-5/Lc 24, 35-48

- 1) For St. John's Parish

SUNDAY - April 14 - 10am Church

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

- 1) † Catarina Ybarra by Family
- 2) † Olin Gilliam by Susan Herrmann
- 3) † Isidro Garza III by Wife & Children

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.

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 7:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation Classes
- *11:00 - Altar Server Training - Church

Monday, April 8:

- *7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall
- *6pm - Adult Confirmation Class - RE Building

Tuesday, April 9:

- *10am-noon - St. Vincent de Paul Assistance - RE Building

Wednesday, April 10:

- *6pm - Faith Formation Classes
- *6pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Room

Thursday, April 11:

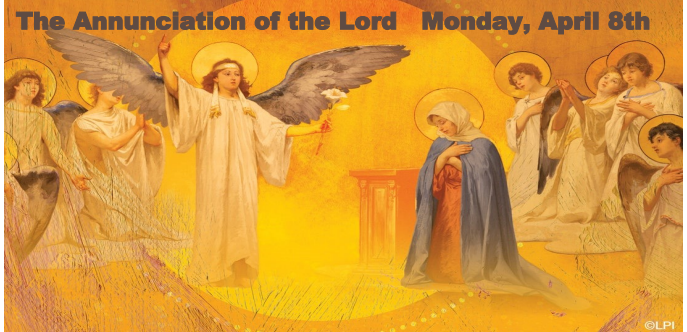
- *9am - Saturday evening Choir Practice - Church
- *8:30am - Adoration - Chapel
- *10am - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel
- *10:45am - St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - RE Building
- *7pm - Knights of Columbus Meeting - Parish Hall MtgRm

Saturday, April 13:

- *5pm - Confessions - Church

Sunday, April 14:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation Classes
- After 8:45 Mass - Breakfast sponsored by Knights of Columbus
- *10am Mass - Children's Liturgy



**At St. John's
During the Month of March**

Baptisms - Karina Faith Guajardo, Hazel Rose Moore
Shaila Cheyenne Tapia, Olivia-Bess Aleman
Quinceñera - Layla Obregon
Funerals - Elsa Enrriquez Ytuarte, Casimiro Guajardo,
Erna Balzen, Eva Warden

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday April 13, 2024 6pm

(Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud
Ministers of Hospitality: Randy Graff
James Schoellman, Gizmo Freeman

Commentator: R. J. Neeley

Lector: Wayne Stein

Sacristan: Patti Graff

Extraordinary Ministers: Paul Tschirhart,

Yvonne Stein, Veronica Valenzuela

Altar Servers: Ann Wheaton, Victoria Fuentez

Julia Fuentez, Levi Smith

Sunday April 14, 2024 7:45am

(Mark Urby) Rosary Leader: Genoveva Medina
Ministers of Hospitality: Efrain Rodriguez,
Raul Carrillo, Augustine De Leon

Commentator: Genoveva Medina

Lector: Ruben Medina

Sacristan: Nora Escamilla

Extraordinary Ministers: Nora Escamilla,

Janie Hernandez, Dora Ojeda, Dolores Carrillo

Altar Servers: Biankka Gonzales,

Marco Gonzales, Charellez Maxie

Sunday April 14, 2024 10am

(Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Judy Williams
Ministers of Hospitality: Jack & Michel Rothe,
Daniel Guedea

Commentator: Renae Mc Niel

Lector: Rhonda Jolley Cantor: Choir

Sacristan: Lisa Lilie

Extraordinary Ministers: Elaine Melton,

Edgar & Rhonda Camacho, Denise Oefinger

Altar Servers: Xavier Guajardo, Bryson Howard,

Brynlee Howard, Andrea Guedea

Thank You to our Volunteers!

Altar Care for April: Rita Vance, Cathy Mechler,
Irene Montgomery

Linens: Selena Knight, Maureen Principe

Bingo: Linda Fillinger, Gizmo Freeman

Paul Tschirhart

Hospital Visitation: Diane Mann, Judy Williams

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". Whenever you donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you say "Peace be with you!" to those who are in need.



Please welcome and congratulate these adults who have been on a faith journey to become full members of the Catholic Church and part of St. John the Evangelist Parish.

They are a blessing to us.

They received their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday.

Delilah Torres – Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist

Ernest Barrientes – Confirmation, First Eucharist

Amanda Borrego – Confirmation, First Eucharist

Harley Hernandez – Confirmation, First Eucharist

Ralph Martinez – Confirmation, First Eucharist

Almanique Resendez – Confirmation, First Eucharist

Sandra Troublefield – Confirmation, First Eucharist

Paul Troublefield – Confirmation

Many thanks to the parish for their prayers and especially Aurora Crooks, Forrest Shannon and Terry Dudley who shared their knowledge and faith journey with them throughout the year.

Thanks also to Father Babychan, Patti Graff, and RE Director Sylvia Fernandez for their continued support of the RCIA program.

– Mary Jo Peters, RCIA Coordinator

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. Babychan at the parish office at 830-741-2236.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
PLEASE REMEMBER that all proceeds from the Monday Night Bingo and the Bingo concession stand are to help fund the Religious Education Program. (St. John's does not charge a fee for the children enrolled.)
To keep the Bingo operating every Monday night, we truly need volunteers. Please think about this and pray about it, and if at all possible, help by volunteering on *ONE Monday per month.*
Applications available at the Parish Office and at stjohndondo.com
Thank you!

Upcoming Events ~
Confirmation: May 5, 2024 at 10am Mass
First Holy Communion: May 11, 2024 at 6pm Mass

IN APPRECIATION... TO OUR PARISHIONERS
GUADALUPANA SOCIETY THANKS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT IN DECORATING ST. JOHN'S ALTARS FOR EASTER. AS BLOOMS FALL AND LEAVES DIE THE PLANTS WILL BE MOVED FROM THE ALTAR TO THE ENTRANCE FOYER WHERE THEY MAY BE PICKED UP TO BE REPLANTED IN YOUR GARDENS AT HOME.
MAY GOD BLESS YOU.



Happy Birthday!

4/8 Michael Arcos, Michelle Cuellar, Levi DeHart, Julian Felan, Oscar Garcia, Esmeralda Garza, Jonathon Garza, Laura Graff, Makaylee Martinez, Kevin Muennink, Julina Pimentel-Flores, Alyssa Tapia, Sarah Urby

4/9 La Tanya De Leon, Mary Ledesma, Esedrick Muniz, Rowdy Ruiz, Rosa Ybarra

4/10 Lysette Castillo, Kaitlin Correa, Kyleen Flores, Jessica Gomez, David Polanco, Dante Richardson, Humberto Rocha, Jonathan Santillano, Raquel Saucedo

4/11 Rosalinda Alvarado, Christian Barrientes, Ernestina Castillo, Michelle Gomez, Angelina Luna, Tanya Mendoza, John Mendoza Ruben Rincon, Ladejha Rodriguez

4/12 Carolynne Fowler, Deborah Lopez, Makayla Rendon

4/13 Julie Brandt, Jared Constante, Evelyn Knight, Joseph Ontiveros, Levi Smith, Orfelina Villa

4/14 Hannah Campbell, Aubree Rangel



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Next Sunday!

All are invited for fun, food, fellowship!
8:45 in the Parish Hall.

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Catholic Faith Formation

- ◆ Adults who have never been Baptized or Baptized into another Faith and are thinking of joining the Catholic Church
 - ◆ Never celebrated First Communion or Confirmation...
- Come and Inquire! Join us on a journey of Faith leading to transformation of your mind and Spirit.
If interested contact Mary Jo Peters, Coordinator (830-426-1181) or Sylvia Fernandez at 830-741-2284 in the CCE office.
- ◆ Children from the ages 7 thru 17 needing Sacraments of Initiation may contact Sylvia Fernandez at 830-741-2284.

