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Today is the Good Shepherd Sunday and the Vocation Sunday. The word of God presents us with two images: the Children of God and the Good Shepherd. Jesus uses the imagery of the Shepherd from the ordinary usage of life and calls himself the Good Shepherd. During the time of Jesus, the Shepherd of the Middle East had a close, intimate relationship with a smaller flock. The Shepherd was in charge of them and would lead them to pasture daily while spending all his time with them. He took personal care of them, and Jesus says he had a deep sense of commitment and responsibility towards his sheep. He was concerned about the sheep, and hence, they had an attraction towards him. Every good Shepherd knew every one of his sheep by name, and he was aware that his sheep also knew him. This showed the intimate knowledge of the Shepherd. As we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday, let us ask the Lord that we may be his good sheep, listening attentively to his voice and following his example of self-giving love. Je-

sus gives us the example of a good shepherd who shows concern and care for his sheep. The Lord of compassion promises to go and gather his sheep and bring them back to good pasture. This is when we pray for all our shepherds in the Church and society responsible for caring for others. Here, we have Jesus as our model, who offered to sacrifice his life for his chosen ones. Jesus the Good Shepherd is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. He is the one who goes after the lost sheep, leaving the ninety-nine to bring it back to the fold. This Sunday is also the Vocation Sunday. We are asked to pray for good vocations to continue the work of the Shepherd. The Church insists that vocations are a responsibility of the Christian family. To foster vocations, the family must foster the Christian life. The family must live its faith in Christ daily in unity and prayer. As God's creatures, we are a reflection of his being; as his children, we are God's family. Today, let us pray that the Church may be blessed with leaders committed to the work of evangelization and passionate about shepherding the flock. As we pray for more vocations in the Church, we remember those who answer their religious calling must safeguard the faith of the children of God, the believers of the Church. God is calling every single one of us to work for the Gospel. May the Lord bless you and your family. ~Fr. Babychan MSFS

Finance Co Pastoral Council Next Pastoral Council Diane Cheney Genevieve Flores Katie Haby Meeting July18, 2024 6pm Rey Bernal Keith Howard Brett Hutto Robert Knight Ryan Lessing **Rose Mary Mares** Next Finance Council Stephen Long **Michele Mechler** Meeting June 20,2024 5pm Connie Shullanber Mass Attendance April 13/14: 595 ADORATION N **BLESSED SACI** CONTRIBUTIONS Weekly Parish Goal: \$7,000 Each Thursday - Cha April 13/14, 2024 1An K Divine Mercy Chapl Regular Offering \$9,335.00 Followed by Ber **Building Fund/Maintenance** 855.00 On the last Thurs Children's Offering month, anointing of 138.05 follow the Divine Me Youth Center Building Fund 1.770.77 Try our convenient online giving at: https://www.givecentral.org/pew-card/941 Or, text to give using the keyword SUNDAY at: 830-218-1667



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 Eufrasio Castillo Religious Ed Office open M-F 9:30am-4pm DRE Svlvia Fernandez (Tues 10am-4pm) Office Clerk Kris Cardenaz **RCIA Director Mary Jo Peters**

Masses

| Confession | | |
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| Rosary is prayed 1/2 hr. before each Mass | | |
| Wed. (Spanish Mass) | 6:00 pm | |
| Tuesday - Friday | 8:00 am | |
| Sunday | 10:00 am | |
| Sunday (Spanish Mass) | 7:45 am | |
| Saturday | 6:00 pm | |
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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 | |
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| | Frankie Alvarez | Steven Avila | |
| | Genaro Avila | Brian Bader | |
| ouncil | Tommie Bragdon | John Bauer | |
| | Chris Cole | Valerie Cole | |
| | Riley Cole | Aurora Crooks | |
| | Thomas Cuellar | Trine Cuellar | |
| | Grace De Leon | Tommy Delgado | |
| | Kimberly Escamilla | Tim Favor | |
| | Leila Fuentes | Sawyer Gilly | |
| erger | Marissa Ibarra | Vincent Garza | |
| - | Lucy Herrera | Alleen Koch | |
| with the | John Henry Martine | ez Tony Mendoza | |
| RAMENT | Christine Ortega | Jerry Neal | |
| | Milo Quintanilla | Lorenzo Ortiz | |
| apel - 8:30am | Anna Reyes | Jerry Robles | |
| let 10:00am | Lupe Sanchez | Mary Rose Sanchez | |
| nediction | Juan Ybarra | Gonzalo Torres | |
| sday of the | A.J. Vallez | Joe Ventura, Jr. | |
| f the sick will | Darlene Wiemers | Daniel Willman | |
| | Call 741-2236 to add or remove someone from the | | |
| ercy Chaplet. | list. Names will be kept on the list a | | |
| | minimum of 3 weeks. | | |
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Upcoming Second Collection Today!! April 21, 2024 - Assumption Seminary April 28, 2024 - Catholic Home Missions Appeal



MONDAY - April 22- No Mass Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

TUESDAY - April 23 - 8am - Chapel: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

- 1) † Connie Hohon by Clay & Peggy Heyen
- 2) † Antonio & Mary Lou Hernandez by Guadalupe Hernandez

WEDNESDAY-April 24 - 8am - Chapel:

Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

- 1) † Dorothy Graff by Mary Griffin
- 2) † Felix & Elva Hernandez
- 3) † Josefa Carranza by Family

WEDNESDAY - April 24 - 6pm (Spanish)- Chapel:

Hch 12, 24—13, 5/Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 6 y 8/Jn 12, 44-50 1) † Jose & Esther Ontiveros by Family <u>THURSDAY - April 25 - 8am - Chapel:</u> 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

- 1) † Alfonso Trevino by Family
- 2) Special Intention for Rory Crooks by Mom & Dad
- Special Intention for Mark & Julie Urby by Angie Guerra

FRIDAY - April 26 - 8am - Chapel:

Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

- 1) Special Intentions forTereso & Juanita Hernandez by Guadalupe Hernandez
- Living & Deceased Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

SATURDAY - April 27 - 6pm - Church: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/J

1) For St. John's Church

SUNDAY - April 28 - 7:45am (Spanish) - Church

- Hch 9, 26-31/Sal 21, 26-27. 28. 30.31-32 (26)/1 Jn 3, 18-24/Jn 15, 1-8
- 1) † Fieles difuntos
- 2) † Patricia Garza by Family
- 3) † Rosendo Mora by Family

SUNDAY - April 28- 10am Church

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

- 1) † Antonio Alvarez, Jr. & Reyes Miranda by Family
- 2) † Olin Gilliam by Charlotte Åaron
- 3) † Anna Arackathara by Diane Cheney

Schedule of Mass Ministry 7, 2024 6pm Sunday April 28, 2024 7:45am

Saturday April 27, 2024 6pm (Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud Ministers of Hospitality: Randy Graff, Marcy Zerr, James Schoellman Commentator: Karen Moos Lector: Patti Graff Sacristan: Rose Scholtz Extraordinary Ministers: Tennille Lessing, Paul Tschirhart, Veronica Valenzuela Altar Servers: Marinda Knight, R. J. Knight Kieran Hubalik, Ann Wheaton

Sunday April 28, 2024 7:45am (Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Frances Cordova Ministers of Hospitality: Efrain Rodriguez, Ray Ybarra, Henry Torres Commentator: Refugio Herrera Lector: Ruben Hernandez Sacristan: Janie Hernandez Extraordinary Ministers: Janie Hernandez, Eva Cortez, Dora Ojeda Altar Servers:Biankka Gonzales, Marco Gonzales, Charellez Maxie

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 21: Monday, April 22: *7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall *6pm - Adult Confirmation Class - RE Building *6pm - Daughters of the King - RE Building Tuesday, April 23: *10am-noon - St. Vincent de Paul Assistance - RE Building Wednesday, April 24: Thursday, April 25: *9am - Saturday evening Choir Practice - Church *8:30am - Adoration - Chapel *10am - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel Friday, April 26 *6:30pm - El Grupo de Oración en Español - La Capilla Saturday, April 27: *5pm - Confessions - Church Adult Confirmation Retreat Sunday, April 28:

*11:15am - Confirmation Rehearsal - Church

Pick up your Easter Lilies

If you ordered Easter Lilies to decorate the Altar, please pick them up this weekend. Any plants that are left after the weekend will be disposed of.

El Grupo de Oración en Español 26 de abril 2024

Hay un grupo de oración el último viernes de cada mes en español en la capilla. Todos estan invitados a reunire en alabanza y oracion. Empesamos con el santo rosario a las 6:30 de la tarde.

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. *Everyone is welcome!*

> Sunday April 28, 2024 10am (Deacon Sam) Rosary Leader: Michele Rothe Ministers of Hospitality: Pat Stein, Steve Wilson Brett Hutto Commentator: Elaine Melton Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Cindy Jones Sacristan: Lisa Lilie Extraordinary Ministers: Judy Williams, Mary Jo Peters, Diane Cheney, Michelle Hutto Altar Servers: Juscilla Cuellar, Juan Garcia, Amy Roberts

Thank You to our Volunteers!

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

Linens: Selena Knight, Maureen Principe Bingo: Randy & Patti Graff, Debbie Graff Hospital Visitation: Cathy Mechler, Sue Woolls

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 we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflecto on Jesus' care and love of us.

Last month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting 8 families, providing \$795.45 in utilities, rent and other bills. Thank you!



1 Peter 2:9 But you are "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises" of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Please join us for the next Daughters of the King Women's Fellowship and Prayer Group Monday, April 22, 2024 6pm @ St. John's Education Building All women are welcome! Feel free to invite family members and friends.

Our Mission

With guidance from the Holy Spirit, our mission is to share God's mercy, grace and unconditional love while we build community through meditation, prayer, song and fellowship with our Sisters in Christ.

> For additional information and updates, sign up for: Remind App: Text @dok1p29 to 81010 Facebook: Daughters of the King-St.Johns/HolyCross

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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 2024

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

SUNCO 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 stjohnshondo.com Thank you!

Happy Birthday!

4/22 Zayden Guedea, Shauna Luna, Roy Moreno I, Isaiah Ontiveros, Patricia Rodriguez, Journey Rodriguez 4/23 Mia Garcia, Patricia Gonzales, Sylvia Morales, Manuel Padron, Dayton Palmos, Janine Pamatian, Juliza Pimentel-Flores, Miguel Rangel, Lenzy Rivas 4/24 Roland De Leon, Jorge Fernandez, Stacie Gonzales, Roman Hernandez, Romeo Rincon, Jessica Romo

4/26 Lauren Long, Caden Malinovsky, Samantha Mendoza, Hope **Rodriguez, Samuel Rosales**

4/27 Elida Gonzales, Jorge Luna, Clarence McNiel, Esperanza Rodriguez

4/28 Samira Barrietes





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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.