

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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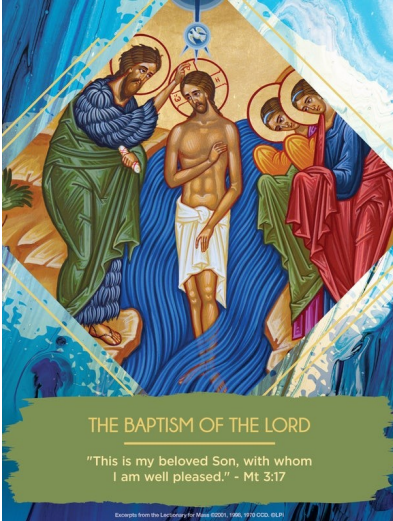
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January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

Today marks the close of the Christmas season, but before we return to Ordinary Time, we have one more great feast to celebrate — The Baptism of the Lord. Today's feast is a perfect opportunity to consider the privileges and responsibilities we all share as Christian stewards by virtue of our own Baptism. At the moment of our Baptism, we became adopted sons and daughters of God, members of his holy, Catholic Church. Though we may not have realized it, the moment of our Baptism is also the moment we become Christian stewards, disciples of Jesus Christ, tasked with the work of following in His footsteps day by day and sharing the Gospel message with all those around us.

In our second reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Peter gives us a glimpse of the person of Jesus

we should imitate. "He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." We must live our lives like Jesus, seeking to do good to everyone we encounter; not just those in our inner circle of family and friends, but everyone in our community since the Father loves us all and Jesus sought out everyone with His saving message.

In the Gospel passage from Matthew, we see yet another aspect of Jesus in action, this time as he humbly stands before John to be baptized by him. What humility and what willingness to unite Himself to us our Lord demonstrates by this act. We can do no less as we live out our daily lives as his disciples.

And when we do strive with all our might to live out our Baptismal call to Christian stewardship, we will experience the deep honor of knowing that we, too, are God's "beloved" sons and daughters "with whom He is well-pleased."

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Pastoral Council

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

Next meeting - TBD



Finance Council

Diane Cheney
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Next meeting - March 17, 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.



	Dec. 27/28	Jan. 3/4
Mass Attendance	555	497
Regular Collection	\$4,461.00	\$9,445.00
Children's Offering	149.00	171.75
Christmas Masses	29,268.00	
Assumption Seminary	1,579.00	
SVdP Black Bag		1,283.00

Thank you!

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	Amador Carrillo, Jr.
Rosie Carranza	James Carmona
Riley Cole	Alfredo Camacho
Thomas Cuellar	Trine Cuellar
Grace De Leon	Tommy Delgado
Gloria Espinosa	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
Lorenzo Ortiz	Milo Quintanilla
Maureen Principe	Gloria Saucedo
Anna Reyes	Melissa Puentes
Lupe Sanchez	Jerry Robles
Debbie Slover	Mary Rose Sanchez
Joe Ventura, Jr.	A.J. Vallez
Daniel Wilman	Darlene Wiemers

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

Upcoming Second Collections
January 25, 2026 - The Church in Latin America



Mass Intentions

January 12 - 18, 2026

Monday - January 12 - No Mass

1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday - January 13 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

1) St. John's Parish

Wednesday - January 14 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

- Communion Service

Wednesday - January 14 - 6pm - Chapel

1 Sm 3, 1-10. 19-20/Sal 39, 2 y 5. 7-8. 8-9. 10/Mc 1, 29-39

- Communion Service -

Thursday - January 15 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

1) † Irene Fohn by Theresa Gilliam

2) † Alfonso Treviño by Family

Friday - January 16 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

- Communion Service -

Saturday - January 17 - 6pm - Church

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

1) St. John's Parish

2) Living & Deceased Members of Altar Society

Sunday- January 18 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church

Is 49, 3. 5-6/Sal 39, 2 y 4. 7-8. 8-9. 10/1 Co 1, 1-3/Jn 1, 29-34

1) † Agapito Contreras by Epifanio Contreras

Sunday - January 18 - 10am - Church

Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

1) † Jerry Bernal by Ernesto Salazar

2) † John Zerr by Bobby & Linda Fohn

3) † Ronnie Ulbrich by Linda Ulbrich

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.

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 11:

*8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building

*at 10am Mass - Children's Liturgy

Monday, January 12:

*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

Tuesday, January 13:

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

Wednesday, January 14:

*4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Room

*6pm - Faith Formation - RE Building

Thursday, January 15:

Friday, January 16:

Saturday, January 17:

*5pm - Confessions Church

Sunday, January 18:

*8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building

*Parish Offices will be
closed Monday, January 19th
in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day*



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.



*At St. John's recently
Baptism ~ Addie Grace Bragdon*

Marriage ~ Eduardo Flores & Mariela Torresmutt

*At rest ~ Barry N. Gear Lupe Hernandez
May they rest in peace.*

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday, January 17, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Janet Bradley

Ministers of Hospitality: Randy Graff,

Charlie Arcos, James Schoellman

Commentator: Patti Graff

Lector: Diane Mann

Sacristan: Russ Renaud

Extraordinary Ministers: Yvonne Stein

Jovita Aguilar, Paul Tschirhart

Altar Servers: Ann Wheaton

Kieran Hubalik, Levi Smith

Sunday, January 18, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Frances Cordova

Ministers of Hospitality: Jorge Rivera

Jerry Lopez, Raul Carrillo

Commentator: Maria Fernandez

Lector: Yolanda Requena

Sacristan: Lorraine Garza

Extraordinary Ministers: Charlie Martinez

Nora Escamilla, Dolores Carrillo

Altar Servers: Cooper Pittman

Liliana Cahue, Kaylianna Martinez

Sunday, January 18, 2026 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Renae McNiel

Ministers of Hospitality: Blake Halbardier,

Roger Lopez, Jack Rothe

Commentator: Cindy Jones

Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Edgar Camacho

Sacristan: Judy Williams

Extraordinary Ministers: Mary Jo Peters,

Aurora Crooks, Denise Oefinger, Ashton Rogers

Altar Servers: Amy Roberts, Sarah Brooks

Ethan Campbell

Thank You to our Volunteers!

January Altar Care: Lupe Ortega, Lydia De Los Santos,
Mary De Leon

Bingo: Lisa Barrios, Paul Tschirhart, Maria Rosales
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.



After Jesus was baptized, he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and a voice was heard "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." As we give to the poor, we also can hear these same words.

Have you considered joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that you can live your Baptism more fully?

Thank you for your continued support!

Archbishop's Appeal Report

The 2025 Archbishop's Appeal had an Archdiocesan goal of \$5.5 million. The 2025 donations throughout the Archdiocese totaled \$4,828,445 which is 88% of that goal. At St. John's we reached 63% of our goal by donating \$14,066. We had 65 donors in 2025 compared to 68 donors in 2024.

Thank you to all who contributed with money or prayer.

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stjohntheevangelist24.flocknote.com

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All proceeds from BINGO 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, call the parish office if you can help.

Happy Birthday!

1/12 Madison Camacho, Raelyn Rodriguez,

1/13 Caiden Aguirre, Mary Alice Eckhart, Nolan Graff,
Rylie Hernandez, Erin Malinovsky, Lisa Ontiveros,
Gumecindo Santillano

1/14 R.J. Knight, Cooper Pittman, Mariela Rubio, Ri-
lynn Tapia

1/15 Racquel Cuellar/Moskwa, Antonia Garcia, Daniel
Guedea, Olivia Lopez, Grayson Rodriguez, Brandon
Tapia

1/16 Charlotte Aaron, Lynzie Andreozzi, Brian
Dominguez, LeSaundra Fernandez, Malarie Mendoza,
Cassandra Ramirez

1/17 Julio Botello, Ethan Campbell, Jailene Carmona,
James Estes, Julio Guerrero, George Koch, Alethanlena
Luers, Elma Torresmutt, Edda Tschirhart

1/18 Preciosa De Leon, Adela Gallardo, Larissa Garcia,
John Gonzales, Estefan Ortega, Dyallan Pamatain

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.

Currently seeking a new facilitator.

Contact Lorraine Lopez 830-426-9220

If you are interested in serving on the
Women's 2026 Acts Team
held on **August 6th-9th, 2026** please contact
St. John's Church office at 830-741-2236 or
Michele Rothe at 210-385-0206.

Wine Tasting Event

Sponsored by
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Save the Date

February 13, 2026



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.