

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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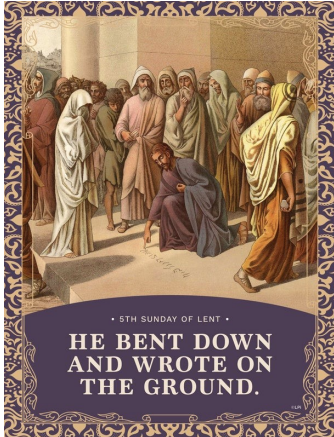
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April 6, 2025

Fifth Sunday of Lent



Once again, this week, we are reminded of what a loving and merciful God we serve. The theme of the readings for this fifth Sunday of Lent are summed up beautifully in today's Gospel passage from Luke, which recounts the story of the woman caught in adultery. After all those who would have stoned this woman leave the scene, Christ says to her, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore."

When we turn to God for forgiveness, He is indeed gracious and merciful. So much so, that not only will He forgive our sins without condemnation, but He will also make us completely new creations in Christ.

What is more amazing is that this all-perfect and holy God of ours draws so very near to us. Our sins do not drive Him from us, but rather to us so that He can set us free from them. Look carefully at Christ's actions and posture in the Gospel reading as He deals with both the crowd of people, the Scribes and Pharisees, and the adulterous woman. "All the people started coming to Him and he sat down and taught them." "He bent down and began to write with His finger." He "straightened up" when He confronted the Scribes and Pharisees about their own sins. And he "straightened up" when He assured the woman that He did not condemn her for her past. Like a skilled teacher, or loving "big brother," Christ bends down to where we are, He sits among us, He stands to confront us when needed and He stands to look us in the eye to remind us of our true dignity.

We're all unworthy of the great privilege of serving Him. But that, quite simply, is cause for greater joy in serving Him with all our hearts.

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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 10:30am-6pm
Wed. 11:30am-7:30pm

RE Coord: Sylvia Fernandez ~ 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
Leila Fuentes	Sawyer Gilly
Marissa Ibarra	Vincent Garza
Tereso O. Hernandez	Lucy Herrera
Ellie Kelsey	Alleen Koch
John	
Henry Martinez	Tony Mendoza
Terry Mendoza	Edda Tschirhart
Jerry Neal	Milo Quintanilla
Lorenzo Ortiz	Gloria Saucedo
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
Keith Howard	Dave Hubalik, Sr.
Rose Mary Mares	Michele Mechler
Jonathan Velasquez	

Next Pastoral Council Meeting May 6, 2025

Next Finance Council Meeting April 24, 2025

Finance Council

Diane Cheney
Rey Bernal
Robert Knight
Stephen Long
Kim Schoellman

March 29/30, 2025
Mass Attendance 639

Regular Offering	\$5,596.00
Children's Offering	150.00
Building Fund Maintenance	50.00
Catholic Relief Services	1,056.00



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.

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

Upcoming Second Collections
TODAY!! April 5/6 - Youth Center Building Fund
Good Friday, April 18 - Holy Land

Mass Intentions

April 7 - 13, 2025

Monday - April 7 - 8am - No Mass

Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62or13:41c-62/Ps23:1-3a,3b-4,5,6/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday - April 8 - 8am - Chapel

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

1) † Alfonso Treviño by Family

Wednesday - April 9 - 8am - Chapel

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

1) † Richard Moos by Monie & Alleen Koch

Wednesday - April 9 - 6pm (Spanish) - Chapel

Dn 3, 14-20. 49-50. 91-92. 95/Dn 3, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8, 31-42

1) † Jimmy Murillo by Family

Thursday - April 10 - 8am - Chapel

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

1) † Erna Balzen by Bill & Bonnie Moos

2) † John H. Batto by Marie Tschirhart & Family

Friday - April 11 - 8am - Chapel

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

1) † Ronnie Garcia by Andy & Eide Garcia

2) † Carlos Tovar by Florindo Tovar

Saturday - April 12 - 6pm - Church

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

1) † Kenneth Fischer by Margaret Fischer

2) † Richard Moos by Connie Aynsworth

3) † Isaac Morin by Family

Sunday - April 13 - 7:45am(Spanish) - Church

Lc19,28-40/Is50,4-7/Sal21,8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24(2)/Flp2,6-11/Lc22,14-23,56

1) † Guadalupe Espino by Mario R. Cadena

2) † Angelita Lozano by Lozano Family

3) † Mareia Elena Bermea by Nora Escamilla & Family

Sunday - April 13 - 10am - Church

Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14-23:56

1) St. John's Parish

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!

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 6:

*8:45am - Faith Formation Classes

*11:30 - OCIA Class - RE Building

Monday, April 7:

*6pm - Adult Confirmation Class - RE Building

*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

Tuesday, April 8:

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

*6pm - Lenten Reconciliation Service - Church

Wednesday, April 9:

*5pm - A Journey with the Shroud - Parish Hall

*6pm - Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, April 10:

*4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall

*7pm - Knights of Columbus - Parish Hall Mtg. Rm.

Friday, April 11:

*6pm-Stations of the Cross/ACTS Group - Chapel

Saturday, April 12:

*5pm -Confessions - Church

Sunday, April 13:

*8:45am - Faith Formation Classes

*11:30 - OCIA Class - RE Building



Mexican American Catholic College

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This program is a collaborative effort between local Dioceses and MACC in offering an Integral Formation Program for Lay Ecclesial Ministers. The CLEM Certificate Program is designed to support:

* Lay Ministers who serve as Evangelization Directors/Coordinators

*Catechetical Leaders (Director/Coordinator in Religious Education/ Catechesis)

*Youth Ministers (Director/Coordinator Youth, Young Adult, or Campus Ministry),

*Liturgical Ministers (Director/Coordinator of Worship, Liturgy)

*Marriage and Family Life Minister (Director/Coordinator of Marriage/ Family Life)

*Pastoral Ministry (Director/Coordinator of Multiple Ministries)

If you would like to participate in this 3-year Lay Ministry Formation program, please call the parish office .

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday April 12, 2025 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud

Ministers of Hospitality: Charlie Arcos,

Randy Graff, Fred Schueling

Commentator: Patti Graff

Lector: Rose Aelvoet

Sacristan: Rita Vance

Extraordinary Ministers: Paul Tschirhart,

Ellen Schueling, Diane Mann

Altar Servers: Ann Wheaton, Cyley Lopez

Sarah Brooks

Music: David B.

Sunday April 13, 2025 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Genoveva Medina

Ministers of Hospitality: Raul Carrillo,

Jorge Rivera, Ray Ybarra

Commentator: Ruben Medina

Lector: Genoveva Medina

Sacristan: Diane Ybarra

Extraordinary Ministers: Diane Ybarra,

Charlie Martinez, Dolores Carrillo

Altar Servers: CharEllez Maxie, Juli Cahue

Marco Gonzales

Sunday April 13, 2025 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Judy Williams

Ministers of Hospitality: Edgar Camacho,

Daniel Guedea, Blake Halbardier

Commentator: Kelly Howard

Lector: Michele Mechler Cantor: Choir

Sacristan: Lisa Lillie

Extraordinary Ministers: Linda Fillingner,

Michelle Hutto, Mary Jo Peters, Aurora Crooks

Altar Servers: Sky Naputi, Amy Roberts,

Ethan Campbell

Thank You to our Volunteers!

April Altar Care: Cathy Mechler
 Small Linens: Maureen Principe, Selena Knight
 Bingo: Nancy Beck, Lisa Lillie
 Hospital Visitation: Diane Mann, Judy Williams



We extend a very warm welcome to Joanne Bowker, St. John's Bookkeeper.

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 today's Gospel, Jesus is the model of compassion and kindness. He shows us how to be merciful and nonjudgmental. *When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and mercy into our hearts and into the hearts of those suffering in poverty.* Thank you for your continued support!




During the month of April, The Medina County Food Pantry is in need of donations of **Boxed Cereal**. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Happy Birthday!

4/7 Jose Garza, Adolfo Gonzales, Ryan Lies, Mary Tschirhart, Augustina Valdilles
 4/8 Michael Arcos, Michelle Cuellar, Levi De Hart, Oscar Garcia, Jonathon Garza, Esmeralda Garza, Laura Graff, Makaylee Martinez, Emily Olivo-Bajonero, Julina Pimentel-Flores, Shannon Ramirez, Sarah Urby
 4/9 LaTanya De Leon, Mary Ledesma, Esedrick Muniz, Rosa Ybarra
 4/10 Lysette Castillo, Kaitlin Correa, Dante Richardson, Humberto Rocha, Jonathan Santillano
 4/11 Rosalinda Alvarado, Christan Barrientes, Ernestina Castillo, Rissa Garcia, Michelle Gomez, Angelina Luna, Ladejha Rodriguez
 4/12 Carolyn Fowler, Deborah Lopez, Racquel Tapia
 4/13 Julie Brandt, Jared Constante, Evelyn Knight, Levi Smith, Orfelina Villa

Journey with the Shroud

St. John's Historical Association is hosting the Pilgrim Center of Hope Shroud Event. The event is called Journey with the Shroud and features a powerpoint presentation, a display offering a framed image of the Shroud of Turin and details about the Shroud. The program will be held at St. John's Parish Hall on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 5:00pm. Everyone is invited.




Graduating High School Seniors - Could you use an extra \$500?

Catholic Life Insurance Branch #80 has applications available at the Parish Office for Senior Awards. Pick one up, fill it out and return to the office by May 5th. You do not need to be a Catholic Life member to apply.

Michele Mechler has volunteered to help coordinate facility repairs and upkeep on our church campus. She welcomes any parishioners with "handy-man/woman" skills or talents to let her know you are willing to volunteer on projects. If you are aware of something that needs attention, please let her know. michelehatung59@gmail.com 210-260-1943





Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 6pm in the Chapel April 11 - ACTS

<p>Lenten Reconciliation Service April 8, 2025 6pm</p> <p>Palm Sunday Weekend Holy Mass & Blessing of Palms Saturday April 12th 6pm Sunday April 13th 7:45am (Spanish) Sunday April 13th 10:00am</p>	<p>Paschal Triduum April 17th Holy Thursday 7:00pm Holy Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:30pm in the chapel April 18th Good Friday 1:45pm Way of the Cross led by Youth 3:00 pm Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord April 19th Holy Saturday 8:00pm Easter Vigil Reception of the Elect April 20th Holy Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord 7:45am (Spanish) 10:00am</p>
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Lenten Special Events:
 April 9th – The Shroud of Turin Event
 April 20th - Easter Egg Hunt after 10am Mass, Prayer Garden

EASTER LILIES!

St. John's Guadalupana Society is taking orders for Easter Lilies to decorate our altars for the celebration of Easter. Order from any Guadalupana Society member for \$20.

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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.