

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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April 12, 2026

Sunday of Divine Mercy



2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:29

The Christian steward approaches life with an "Easter vision," rooted in gratitude for the salvation our Lord has won for us through His death and Resurrection. Today's readings on this Divine Mercy Sunday remind us that this vision is meant to shape our daily lives and that we can place complete trust in the mercy of God to lead us, step by step, toward heaven.

It can be difficult to keep our focus on heaven when earthly concerns — job stress, family struggles, health problems and political division — press in around us. At times, we can become like the Apostle Thomas in today's Gospel, struggling to believe amid disappointment and

uncertainty. Absent when Jesus first appeared to the other Apostles after the Resurrection, Thomas refused to accept their testimony that they had "seen the Lord." He insisted that he would not believe unless he placed his finger into the nail marks and his hand into Christ's side. Yet Thomas' doubts did not repel our Lord — they drew Him near in an extraordinary way. Jesus saw beyond the doubt to the pain beneath it. He did not condemn Thomas, but calmed his fears and invited him to touch His Sacred Wounds.

What amazing grace.

When we are tempted to doubt, we need only seek the Lord — in prayer, in the sacraments and through the encouragement of our Christian community. Just as He did for Thomas, our Lord will mercifully restore our Easter vision and fill us with His joy and peace.

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Parish Office Open M-Th 9am-4pm

Office Manager/Secretary Patti Graff

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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

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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 - April 16, 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.

Try this QR code for online giving!



March 28/29, 2026

Mass Attendance 708

Regular Collection \$6,469.00

Children's Offering 238.00

April 4/5, 2026

Mass Attendance 785

Holy Thursday \$ 468.00

Good Friday Holy Land 537.00

Regular Collection 12,229.00

Rice Bowl 1,130.00

Upcoming Second Collections

TODAY! April 12, 2026 - Youth Center Capital Project

April 26, 2026 - Assumption Seminary



Mass Intentions

April 13 - 19, 2026

Monday - April 13 - No Mass

Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday - April 14 - 8am - Chapel

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

1) † Mitzie Tondre by Clay & Peggy Heyen

Wednesday - April 15 - 8am - Chapel

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

1) † Becky Shannon by Fred & Ellen Schueling

Wednesday - April 15 - 6pm(Spanish) - Chapel

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

1) St. John's Parish

Thursday - April 16 - 8am - Chapel

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

1) † LeSaundra Benavides by Robert & Janie Benavides

Friday - April 17 - 8am - Chapel

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

1) † Alfonso Treviño by Family

Saturday - April 18 - 6pm - Church

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

- 1) † Paul Lutz by Donnie & Donna Blue
- 2) † Ryan Schoellman by Theresa Gilliam Family
- 3) Living & Deceased Members of Altar Society

Sunday - April 19 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church

Hch 2, 14, 22-33/Sal 15, 1-2 y 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1, 17-21/Lc 24, 13-35

- 1) † George Vella by Family
- 2) † Reymundo & Paulita Galindo by Family
- 3) † Doroteo Hernandez by Ignacia Hernandez

Sunday - April 19 - 10am - Church

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

- 1) † Yvonne Garcia by Family
- 2) 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. Anointing of the sick Last Thursday after Divine Mercy Chaplet.

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 12:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building
- *10am Mass - Children's Liturgy

Monday, April 13:

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

Tuesday, April 14:

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

Wednesday, April 15:

- *2pm - Altar Society Meeting - Parish Hall Mtg. Rm
- *6pm - Faith Formation - RE Bldg

Thursday, April 16:

Friday, April 17:

Saturday, April 18:

- *5pm - Confessions - Church

Sunday, April 19:

- *8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building
- *2pm - Baptism Pred Class - RE Building

Welcome!

Please welcome and congratulate these adults who have been on a faith journey to become full members of the Catholic Church and part of the St. John the Evangelist Parish. They are a blessing to us. They received their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday.

Rudy Coronado, Michael Rodriguez, Jenna Cipriano,
John Andrew Cardenas III, Jennifer Nava,

Kailee Thompson, Ayana Gonzales, and Deanna Trinidad. Special thanks to their sponsors and to the parish for their prayers and especially Terry Dudley who shared his knowledge and faith journey with them.. Thanks also to Father John, Father Lajarus, Deacon Mark, Patti Graff, and RE Coordinator Julie Urby for their continued support of the OCIA program.



*At St. John's recently
At rest - Eugenia Pedroza
May she rest in peace.*

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday, April 18, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Altar Society
Ministers of Hospitality: Randy Graff,
Charlie Arcos, James Schoellman,

Commentator: Patti Graff

Lector: Karen Moos

Sacristan: Patti Graff

Extraordinary Ministers: Julie Urby,

Jovita Aguilar, Rose Mary Mares

Altar Servers: John Lessing, Kieran Hubalik
Luke Smith

Sunday, April 19, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Frances Cordova
Ministers of Hospitality: Jerry Lopez, Ray Ybarra
Jorge Rivera

Commentator: Maria Fernandez

Lector: Yolanda Requena

Sacristan: Diane Ybarra

Extraordinary Ministers: Charlie Martinez,

Diane Ybarra, Nora Escamilla

Altar Servers: CharEllez Maxie, Ava De Leon,
Andrea Guerrero

Sunday, April 19, 2026 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Michele Rothe
Ministers of Hospitality: Steve Wilson,
Joe Guajardo, Pat Stein

Commentator: Lisa Miller

Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Cindy Jones

Sacristan: Judy Williams

Extraordinary Ministers: Linda Fillingner,

Blake Halbardier, Edgar & Rhonda Camacho

Altar Servers: Bryson Howard, Brynlee Howard,
Samuel Gonzales

Thank You to our Volunteers

April Altar Care: Cathy Mechler, Irene Montgomery
Small Linens: Selena Knight, Maureen Principe

Bingo: Paul Tschirhart, Maria Rosales, Lisa Barrios
Hospital Visitation: Felic Treviño, Santos Santillano

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!" When you give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you say, "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.

Thank you for your continued support!

Youth Ministry

April 15th

Gathering for Students in Grades 6th, 7th & 8th
7:00 p.m. | Annex

Graduating High School Seniors

Catholic Life Insurance Branch #80 has applications available at the Parish Office and at the Religious Ed Office for Senior Awards. Pick one up, fill it out and return to the office by May 7th.

You do not need to be a Catholic Life member to apply.

Happy Birthday!

- 4/13 Julie Brandt, Jared Constante, Evelyn Knight, Levi Smith, Orfelina Villa
- 4/14 Hannah Campbell, Aubree Rangel, Devon Wilcox
- 4/15 Keanna Aremendariz, Amity Contreras, Kiara Gurrusquieta, David Hernandez, Janet Mauer, Ismari Morales, Kadejha Rodriguez, Rodolfo Sanchez, Mary Lu Schoenfeld, Azriel Treviño
- 4/16 Maricel Casas, Juneice Corona, Kyra Lopez, Dylan Muniz, Ariana Peinado, Lynnsie Vidal
- 4/17 Juscilla Cuellar, Rachel Fuentez, Keith Lutz, Oneida Prez, Suzanne Tonne, Anna Vidrine, Jay Villarreal
- 4/18 Athena Acuna, Teresa Cuellar, Domingo Gallardo, Anthony Guedea, Evalie Pena, Ximena Rocha
- 4/19 Ruben Garcia, Jessica Gomez, Mille Theis, Levi Villarreal

Save the Date!
Chili Cook Off
Hosted by St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

APRIL 25TH
11AM - 5:00PM
Great Food • Music & More!

WELCOME
THIS IS GOD'S COUNTRY
PLEASE DON'T
DRIVE THROUGH IT
LIKE HELL.

HONDO, TEXAS

Join us for a Community Event featuring a Chili Cookoff, 5K Run, Silent Auction, Jewelry Boutique, Country Store, Granny's Greenhouse, Bingo and more!

Bring your family and friends to enjoy an afternoon of fellowship, food, and fun!

Scan here to register as a contestant!

Or call (214) 260-1943

All proceeds benefit the Youth Pavilion

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Planning is underway for the 2026 St. John's Rosary Run/Walk 5K April 25, 2026



We are seeking sponsors for the five decades of the Rosary along the route. Participants will be encouraged to pray the Rosary as they run or walk, with signs marking each decade along the course. Sponsor fee \$350.

We need your support to make this event a success! If you are interested in sponsoring, please contact Rose Mary Mares (830-426-1542). Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 25, 2026 - Spring Fling Festival
- May 17, 2026 - Mother/Son Day Out
- June 13, 2026 - Father/Daughter Dance
- September 13, 2026 - Parish Picnic Raffle
- October 3, 2026 - Rummage Sale

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