

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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January 18, 2026



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings provide clear and inspiring reminders of the most fundamental aspect of our identity — that of servants of our most high and holy God, His modern-day disciples, and stewards. John the Baptist recognized the holiness of Jesus and the response due to Him when he encountered Christ in person on the day they met at the Jordan River. His response, which we read in our Gospel passage from St. John was, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world... He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'"

What a powerful description of our Lord and the place He should rightfully have in each of our lives. He is truly our Savior, the only one who can free us

from our sinfulness. We are utterly and completely dependent on His power, love, and mercy. Therefore, He truly does "rank ahead" of us; he deserves to be first, above all other priorities and plans in our lives. Let us examine our daily lives and encourage our children to do the same.

Does the way I spend my time reflect that God comes first? Do prayer and weekly Mass, regular confession, and time with my family "rank ahead" of everything else on my calendar? Do I use my talents, skills, and energy to serve my family, parish and community in thanksgiving and recognition that God's kingdom ranks ahead of any other goals or ambitions? Do I spend my money and use my material possessions to glorify God? Challenge questions, to be sure. But questions worthy of our high calling as Christian stewards offered a glorious mission in service of our Lord and His kingdom. What will our response be?

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Next meeting - TBD



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Next meeting - March 17, 2026

In our Thoughts & Prayers

Patrick Adamietz	Frankie Alvarez
Steven Avila	Genaro Avila
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Amador Carillo, Jr.	Ruby Cantu
James Carmona	Rosie Carranza
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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.

January 10/11, 2026

Mass Attendance 640

Regular Collection \$6,900.00

Children's Offering 120.00

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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.

Thank you!

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Upcoming Second Collections

January 25, 2026 - The Church in Latin America

February 8, 2026 - Youth Center Building Fund



Mass Intentions

January 19 - 25, 2026

Monday - January 19 - No Mass

1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday - January 20 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

- 1) Special Intention for Carter Jayde Braden in remembrance of his Day of Baptism
- 2) † Maria Treviño Harmon by Treviño Family
- 3) to Our Lady of Guadalupe by Mary Mendoza

Wednesday - January 21 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

- Communion Service

Wednesday - January 21 - 6pm - Chapel

1 Sm 17, 32-33, 37, 40-51/Sal 143, 1. 2. 9-10/Mc 3, 1-6

- Communion Service

Thursday - January 22 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

- 1) Living & Deceased Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- 2) Special Intention for Kelly Long in remembrance of their Day of Baptism

Friday - January 23 - 8am - Chapel

1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

- Communion Service

Saturday - January 24 - 6pm - Church

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

- 1) † Paul Lutz by Fred & Ellen Schueling
- 2) † Tina Finger by Lorraine Lopez
- 3) † Richard Moos by Family

Sunday - January 25 - 7:45am(Spanish)- Church

Is 8, 23-9, 3/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/1 Co 1, 10-13. 17/Mt 4, 12-23 o 4, 12-17

- 1) † Agapito Contreras by Epifanio Contreras
- 2) † Fanny Ybarra by Ernie & Eva Cortez
- 3) † Lupe Hernandez by her cousins

Sunday - January 25 - 10am - Church

Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

- 1) † Elton Lutz by Family
- 2) † John Schoellmann by Family
- 3) † Danny Ortega by Christine Ortega
- 4) St. John's Parish

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

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 18:

*8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building

Monday, January 19:

Parish Offices Closed

*7pm - BINGO! - Parish Hall

Tuesday, January 20:

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

Wednesday, January 21:

*2pm - Altar Society Meeting - Parish Hall Mtg. Rm.

*4pm - Bible Study - Parish Hall Meeting Room

*6pm - Faith Formation - RE Building

Thursday, January 22:

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Saturday, January 24:

*9-12-1st Communion/Confirmation Parent Mtg - RE Bldg

*5pm - Confessions Church

Sunday, January 25:

*8:45am - Faith Formation - RE Building

**Ashes for Ash Wednesday are made by
burning the blessed palms that were distributed
last Palm Sunday.**

**Bring your palms to Mass and place them in the box
at the back of church to be burned for
Ash Wednesday which is on February 18, 2026.**

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.



*At St. John's recently
Baptism ~ Kyler Rhea O'Connell*

*At rest ~ Judith Calhoun
May she rest in peace.*

Schedule of Mass Ministry

Saturday, January 24, 2026 6pm

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Russ Renaud
Ministers of Hospitality: Marcy Zerr

Luis Ramos, Gizmo Freeman

Commentator: Theresa Gilliam

Lector: Karen Moos

Sacristan: Patti Graff

Extraordinary Ministers: Veronica Valenzuela

Rose Mary Mares, Tennille Lessing

Altar Servers: Cyley Lopez

Alicia Ramos, Penelope Rivera

Sunday, January 25, 2026 7:45am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: Yolanda Requena

Ministers of Hospitality: Henry Torres

Gabriel Rodriguez, Augustine De Leon

Commentator: Ruben Hernandez

Lector: Refugio Herrera

Sacristan: Janie Hernandez

Extraordinary Ministers: Janie Hernandez

Efrain Rodriguez, Mary Ann Garcia

Altar Servers: Biankka Gonzales

Julie Cahue, Marco Gonzales

Sunday, January 25, 2026 10am

(Deacon Mark) Rosary Leader: H.S. Youth

Ministers of Hospitality: Glenn Sturm

Daniel Guedea, Keith Howard

Commentator: Rose Aelvoet

Lector & Responsorial Psalm: Christine Ortega

Sacristan: Nancy Beck

Extraordinary Ministers: Michelle Hutto

Linda Fillinger, Renae McNeil, Diane Cheney

Altar Servers: Sky Naputi, Liana Rios,

Andrea Guedea

Thank You to our Volunteers!

January Altar Care: Lupe Ortega, Lydia De Los Santos, Mary De Leon
 Bingo: Randy & Patti Graff, Marcellyn Botello
 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 after Jesus was baptized, John testified saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove...and remain upon him."

As you give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's Spirit of love to those who are suffering.

Thank you for your continued support!



St. John's Wine Tasting

Friday, February 13, 2026
 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
 \$50 per person

Includes a selection of wines paired with heavy hors d'oeuvres, frozen sangria, and a variety of beer.

Look forward to cash games, raffles, music, and lots of fun!

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Parish Hall
 2009 Avenue K, Hondo

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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



Youth Ministry

JANUARY 21ST
 ST. JOHN'S YOUTH MINISTRY WILL MEET
 IN THE ANNEX AT 7 PM.
 JOIN US FOR MUSIC, FELLOWSHIP, FOOD AND FUN
 INVITE A FRIEND GRADES 9-12
 Youth Mass, Sunday, January 25th

Parent Meeting for
 First Communion and Confirmation Parents
 Saturday, January 24, 2026
 9am-12pm in the RE Building

Happy Birthday!

1/19 Emily Escamilla, Michael Gomez, Kiana Manrique, Victoria Santillano
 1/20 Anna Barrios, Brandon Bermea, Tim Graff, Olivia Soza, Patrick Stein
 1/21 Dolores Carrillo, Tennille, Lessing, Kate Parrish, Juan Torres
 1/22 Nicholas De Leon, Laura Hernandez, Tristan Schneider
 1/23 Edwin Lilie, Arianna Valenzuela,
 1/24 Naul Cantera, Dora De Leon, Lydia De Los Santos, Joby Lopez, Zachary Rodriguez, Karl Theis, Nickolas Trinidad
 1/25 Jaleah Oranday, Rosie Reed

Altar Society Meeting
 Wednesday, January 21, 2026
 2pm Parish Hall Meeting Room

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