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As the Body of Christ we are one with the parishes throughout our diocese. Once a year, through the Annual Diocesan Appeal, we have an opportunity to promote solidarity for the common good among people beyond the scope of any individual parish. Visit [www.advancementfoundation.org/ada-about](http://www.advancementfoundation.org/ada-about) for information about how your gift will be used.

Todas las parroquias de la Diócesis unidad formamos un solo Cuerpo de Cristo. Una vez al año, a través de Annual Diocesan Appeal, tenemos la oportunidad de promover la solidaridad entre todas las personas de la Diócesis para el bien común, más allá del alcance de cualquier parroquia individual. Visite [www.advancementfoundation.org/ada-about](http://www.advancementfoundation.org/ada-about) para obtener información sobre como se utilizara su donación.



**SPONSOR OF THE WEEK/EL NEGOCIO DE LA SEMANA**  
**Timothy A. Phillips CPA**

Readings for the Week of September 11, 2016

- Sunday** Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 or Lk15:1-10
- Monday** 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 7:1-10
- Tuesday** 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, and 5; Lk 7:11-17
- Wednesday** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, and 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- Thursday** 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- Friday** 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, and 15; Lk 8:1-3
- Saturday** 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14; Lk 8:4-15
- Sunday** Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13



Mass	For	Requested By
<b>Sat 09/10</b>		
5:00PM	✠Grimilda Pereira	Terri Evans
<b>Sun. 09/11</b>		
7:30AM	✠Michael Shane	Sunny Railey
9:00AM	✠Anthony & Frances Kungis	Bob & Donna O'Donnell
11:00AM	<b>FOR THE PARISH</b>	<b>(Pro Populo)</b>
1:00PM	✠Vicente Valerio	Maria Valerio
3:00PM	Mary Prather (SP. Int.)	Stephanie Bird
5:00PM	✠Anna Thoa Nguyen	Tran Family
<b>Mon. 09/12</b>		
8:15AM	✠Ray Zak	Hazel Zak
<b>Tues. 09/13</b>		
8:15AM	✠Till Petrocci	Monica & Troy Radoszewski
<b>Wed. 09/14</b>		
8:15AM	✠Scott Herbert	Monica & Troy Radoszewski
6:30PM	✠Phuong Dao	Nhan Family
<b>Thur. 09/15</b>		
8:15AM	Cliff Bird (Sp. Int.)	Stephanie Bird
7:00PM	Laura Ledbetter (Sp. Int.)	Stephanie Bird
<b>Fri. 09/16</b>		
8:15AM	✠Hubert Gardner	The Peffers Family
<b>Sat 09/17</b>		
5:00PM	✠Duane Sunquist	Glenn & Ann Miller
<b>Sun. 09/18</b>		
7:30AM	William M. Bird (Sp. Int.)	Stephanie Bird
9:00AM	Theresa McDaniel (Sp. Int.)	Susan Tran
11:00AM	<b>FOR THE PARISH</b>	<b>(Pro Populo)</b>
1:00PM	Lisa Bird (Sp. Int.)	Stephanie Bird
3:00PM	Bill Bird (Sp. Int.)	Stephanie Bird
5:00PM	✠Irene Meadows	Doris Lepine

Please remember in your prayers all those listed in our book of the sick located in the back of the Church. We pray for those who have died.

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**Special Collection for 2016 Louisiana Floods**

A special collection will be taken up this weekend for the Louisiana Flooding. All of us have been following the news accounts of historic flooding in Louisiana. The region is experiencing what is being called the worst domestic disaster since Hurricane Sandy and the worst flooding since Hurricane Katrina. Please consider assisting our brothers and sisters in south Louisiana. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



El Ministerio Guadalupano los invita cordialmente a celebrar, “Fiesta Mexicana” el domingo 18 de septiembre del 2016, de 9:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. en el gimnasio de la parroquia. Acompáñanos con tu familia a disfrutar del Mariachi, Karaoke, Ballet Folclórico, Comida y Juegos Familiares. !! Para más información llame a Alma Velazquez (817) 994-4153.

Guadalupano Ministry is inviting you to come and celebrate with us Sunday, September 18, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the gym. Join us and enjoy the Mariachi, Karaoke, Folk Dancers, Food and Games!! For more information please call Alma Velazquez (817)-994-4153.



**Catechetical Artistry Mission Event**

Julie Carrick, Catholic Recording Artist, Speaker and Radio Producer and Host, is coming to Saint John the

Apostle for a Catechetical Artistry Mission Event in the Year of Mercy. The mission entitled “Intentional Disciples – Mary, the Apostles and Us” will be presented Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – September 26, 27 and 28, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m. and last about an hour and a half. Morning Sessions will be presented from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. This will be a Year of Mercy event of Music, Personal Witness and a celebration of our Catholic Faith reflecting on our call to discipleship and the example of Mary and the Apostles as ‘first disciples.’ Julie Carrick is heard weekly on the Guadalupe Radio Network as she hosts her program “We Sing Our Faith” and has been featured on EWTN Backstage and Life on the Rock and various Catholic TV and Radio outlets. This is a POWERFUL Catholic Event! All are invited, so come early and be inspired to Live Boldly as a Catholic!



With the arrival of autumn, I'd like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish's electronic eGiving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy this back-to-school season, but Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week - no more envelopes to find and checks to write before you go to Mass.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: **TX534**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,  
Fr. Hoa Nguyen  
Pastor



Saint John's Childcare is seeking experienced teachers to work in our Infant Room, 6 weeks to 12 months. Paid Pre-service Training is available for those individuals who have not already had experience working in a licensed childcare setting. Please contact Cindy Thornton the Director of Saint John's Childcare for more information at (817) 595-2654.



Saint John's Childcare is seeking experienced teachers to work in our Extended Day 2 ½ and 3 year-old programs. Please contact the Director, Cindy Thornton for more information at (817) 595-2654.



Saint John the Apostle Parish welcomes recently registered new parishioners. If you have the opportunity to meet any new parishioners or visitors, please welcome them and make them feel at home in our parish.

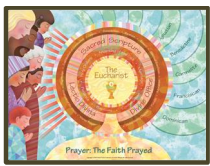
**Bettina Heard**  
**Inosencio Gonzalez & Aide Gonzalez**  
**Luis & Jessica Rangel**  
**Gloria Perez**  
**Miguel & Barbara Perez**

La parroquia de Saint John the Apostle les da la bienvenida a nuevos feligreses recién registrados. Si tiene la oportunidad de conocer a nuevos parroquianos o visitantes, favor de darles la bienvenida y hacerlos sentir en casa en nuestra parroquia.



It takes a village to raise a child....and Saint John the Apostle Church community needs your help with our faith formation programs. There are a number of different ways to help...different times of day...one-time commitment or ongoing basis. For more information, please contact Donna Chesshir at (817) 284-4811 or [dchesshir@sjtanrh.com](mailto:dchesshir@sjtanrh.com).

La comunidad de Saint John the Apostle Church necesita su ayuda con el programa de formación de fe. Hay muchas maneras de ayudar...diferentes horas del día...compromiso de una sola vez o ayudar en una base regular. Para más información, favor de llamar a lo oficina a (817) 284-4811.



Religious Education classes have started. Are your children registered for classes? Please call the Church Office at (817) 284-4811 for more information.

Las clases de formación de fe han comenzado. ¿Sus hijos están registrados para las clases? Para más información o para registrar sus hijos favor de llamar a la Oficina de la Iglesia al (817) 284-4811.



Do you have **children who have not been baptized and are older than 7 years?** Would you like them to learn about the Catholic faith and prepare for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Communion? For more information, call the Church Office at (817) 284-4811.

¿Tiene hijos que no han sido bautizados y que tienen más de 7 años? ¿Gustaría aprender acerca de la fe católica y preparar por los sacramentos de Bautismo, Confirmación, y Comunión? Para más información, favor de llamar a la Oficina de la Iglesia al (817) 284-4811.

The Deaf Ministry Program will be offering religious education classes for **deaf and hard of hearing students** this fall on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. starting September 14, 2016. For more information, contact Connie Martin at [cmartin@fwdioc.org](mailto:cmartin@fwdioc.org).



Would you or someone you know like to be baptized and join the Catholic Church? The Rite of Christian Initiation Process (RCIA) process starts in September. Please call Donna Chesshir at (817) 284-4811 for more information.



**Saint John the Apostle Catholic School**  
Pre-K – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
(817) 284-2228 [www.stjs.org](http://www.stjs.org)

**Bishop Olson's Visit**

In a recent visit, Bishop Olson stated that the children at our school truly live the Catholic Faith and he can see it in all of the teachers and students.

**11 Days until North Texas Giving Day!**

Every gift of \$25 or more made through [NorthTexasGivingDay.org](http://NorthTexasGivingDay.org) on September 22, 2016 from 6:00 a.m. to midnight maximizes our chances of winning prizes given throughout the day ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 to organizations with the most supporters.

**Please help us reach our goal of \$20,000 and donate on North Texas Giving Day!**



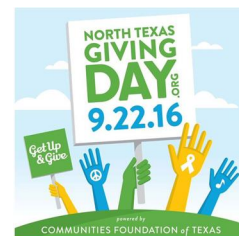
**Visita del Obispo Olson**

En una visita reciente del Obispo Olson a la escuela Saint John mencionó que los estudiantes y los profesores en nuestra escuela viven verdaderamente la fe católica.

**Faltan 11 Días Hasta North Texas Giving Day!**

Cada donación de \$25 ó más hecha a través de [NorthTexasGivingDay.org](http://NorthTexasGivingDay.org) el 22 de Setiembre, 2016 desde las 6:00 a.m. hasta la medianoche aumenta nuestras posibilidades de ganar premios durante el día y van de \$500 a \$5,000 a las organizaciones con la mayor cantidad de donantes.

**Por favor ayúdanos a alcanzar nuestra meta de \$20,000 y done durante North Texas Giving Day!**



## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Vigésimo Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Catholics Care. Catholics Vote. Register to vote. In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics, "We are called to bring together our principles and our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a better world" (no. 14). In Texas the voter registration deadline is October 1, 2016. You can register in person at your county [Voter Registrar's office](#). (In most Texas counties, the Tax Assessor-Collector is also the Voter Registrar. In some counties, the [County Clerk or Elections Administrator](#) registers voters.) Or you can register by mail by obtaining an application from your county [Voter Registrar's office](#) or online at <http://www.votetexas.gov/register-to-vote/>



### Food Pantry Needs

With the return from vacations our supply of food is slowly increasing and we are very grateful to all parishioners who faithfully contribute to our Food Pantry. We continue to need a steady supply of food and depend on your generosity to keep our shelves stocked. Please consider a donation of food especially one of the following:

**Peanut Butter**    **Canned Vegetables**    **Pasta**    **Paper Bags**  
**Dried Beans**    **Laundry Detergent**    **Canned Tuna or Meats**

**Baby World:** We are VERY grateful to Good Shepherd Parish for the generous financial contribution for purchasing supplies for Baby World. This partnership emphasizes the solidarity between our parishes for the common purpose of addressing the needs of the poor in our community.



The Golden Senior Group has been a long time ministry at our parish but has recently disbanded. They have been supportive of the Social Ministry Department with donations of food monthly. As they deactivated their group the decision was made to donate their supplies and funding to our Food Pantry. We appreciate all the years of working with them and are grateful to them for their donations.

### How Does One Decide To Vote?

On Saturday, September 24, 2016 after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the North and South meeting rooms the Parish Mission Team will host a "Faithful Citizenship" seminar. A short video by the US Catholic Bishops will begin the workshop followed by a briefing on the document, "Faithful Citizenship" highlighting the Catholic position for this election year. It will be a nonpartisan, respectful discussion providing guidance for Catholics in the exercise of our rights and duties as participants in our democracy. We hope to help form consciences and shape political choices in the coming election in light of Catholic teaching. A light dinner will be offered during the presentation. With so many opinions and media hype we offer a way to sift through the noise to hear a message that will help us relate to the civil order as citizens of the heavenly Kingdom.

### ESL Classes starting soon!

Saint John's Parish will collaborate with FWISD to do ESL testing on Monday, September 12 and Thursday, September 15, 2016, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Formation Center, 4101 Frawley Drive, North Richland Hills, Texas 76180.

The ESL classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Formation Center. There is no cost to the student. **We do not provide child care.** Classes will start on Monday, September 22, 2016 if all the students have been tested by FWISD.

La Parroquia de Saint John colaborará con FWISD para hacer evaluaciones de ESL (Inglés como segundo Idioma) el lunes 12 de septiembre y el jueves, 15 de septiembre de 2016, 6:00 pm a 8:00 p.m. en el Centro de Formación, 4101 Frawley Road, North Richland Hills, Texas 76180.

Las clases de ESL se llevarán a cabo los lunes y jueves de 6:00 p.m. hasta las 9:00 p.m. en el Centro de Formación. No hay ningún costo para el estudiante. **No proporcionamos cuidado de los niños.** Las clases comenzarán el lunes 22 de septiembre del año 2016 si todos los estudiantes han completado su evaluación por FWISD.



Saint John the Apostle's Fall Fest 2016 is just around the corner, Friday, September 30, 2016, 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. & Saturday, October 1, 2016, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Food, Music, Games, Entertainment, Arts & Crafts and much more. Bring family, friends, & neighbors to join the festivities!



### Alpha: Evangelization in a Catholic Context

All are cordially invited to attend **Alpha: Evangelization in a Catholic Context** on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at the following locations and times:

Catholic Center in Fort Worth - 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saint Patrick Cathedral's Pastoral Center - 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Please register online by September 1, 2016, this event is hosted by the Diocese of Fort Worth. There is no cost to attend, but free will offerings are appreciated.

### Scripture Reflection

In Chapter 15 of Luke's gospel he explores the mystery of sin and forgiveness. Only in his writings do we find the parable of the Prodigal Son. We see the father embrace his son when he returns home, having left his father to make it on his own. The son realizes he has made the wrong choices and comes to believe the only way to live is to return home and seek his father's forgiveness. Imagine the joy the father experienced when his son returned. Imagine his compassion as he hugs his lost son, joyful they are back together.

We also stray from the straight and narrow. We too are lured by the promise of money, fame, power and possessions. We must realize that the only way to reach the Kingdom is to seek God's forgiveness for our wrongdoings and return to the comfort and protection of the Lord we experience in our Church and through the sacraments.

We need to pray that each of us, knowing we are sinners, seek the protection, comfort and loving embrace of God on our journey toward eternal life in the Kingdom. We also need to pray that we are not like the son who stayed home, filled with envy and anger upon his brothers' return. He was angered because he was not being treated special. What he couldn't realize was how good his life was living with his father. He couldn't appreciate this father's comfort and love. We must appreciate the blessings we receive, and not want for what is not ours.

### Reflexiones de Escrituras

En el evangelio de Lucas capítulo 15 El explora el misterio del perdón y el pecado. Solo en sus escrituras encontraremos la parábola del hijo prodigo. Vemos como el padre abraza a su hijo cuando el hijo regresa a casa, después de haber dejado a su padre para hacer su vida. El hijo se da cuenta que ha tomado decisiones equivocadas y se da cuenta que la única forma de vivir es regresando a la casa del padre, buscando su perdón. Imaginémonos la alegría que el padre tuvo cuando su hijo regreso a casa. Imaginémonos su compasión cuando abrazo a su hijo perdido, alegres están de estar juntos de Nuevo.

Nosotros también nos desviamos del camino estrecho y recto. Nos dejamos seducir por la promesa del dinero, fama, poder y posesiones. Debemos darnos cuenta que la única manera que alcanzaremos el Reino de los Cielos es buscando el perdón de Dios por nuestros errores y regresando al consuelo y protección del Señor que sentimos en nuestra Iglesia y atreves de los sacramentos. Debemos orar para que cada uno de nosotros, sabiendo que somos pecadores, busquemos la protección, consuelo y abrazo amoroso de Dios en nuestro camino a la vida eterna en el Reino de los cielos. También debemos orar para que no seamos como el hijo que se quedó en casa, lleno de envidia y coraje cuando regreso su hermano. Estaba enojado porque no estaba siendo tratado de forma especial y esto no le permitió darse cuenta que ya gozaba de la buena vida viviendo junto su padre. No podía apreciar el consuelo y el amor de su padre. Nosotros **debemos apreciar las bendiciones que recibimos, y no desear lo que no nos pertenece.**

### Stewardship

We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours." What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God gives to me?

### Corresponsabilidad

Hoy podemos oír a Dios hablarnos en las palabras de un padre a su hijo mayor: "Estás siempre conmigo, y todo lo mío es tuyo". ¿Cuál es mi respuesta a la generosidad tan notable? ¿Doy con alegría y generosidad de la misma manera que Dios me da a mí?



*Our Stewardship of Treasure ...  
Our giving Your gifts helps us to  
better serve our Parish.*

*Saint John the Apostle...  
A Full Stewardship Parish...*

**2016 – 2017**

SUNDAY COLLECTION

NO NUMBERS THIS WEEK

***"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all  
the good He has done for me?"***

*Psalm 116:12*