



The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collection donations of your choosing.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: TX534

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Hoa Nguyen
Pastor



The Administration Office will be closed Monday, January 16, 2017 in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Day. We will resume office hours on Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

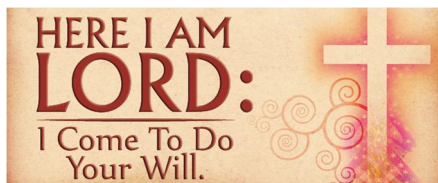


Nuestra oficina de administración estará cerrada el lunes 16 de enero, 2017 en observación del Día Memorial de Martin Luther King Jr. La oficina abrirá el martes, 17 de enero, 2017 a las 8:30 a.m.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK/EL NEGOCIO DE LA SEMANA

Ed Markey Attorney / Mediator

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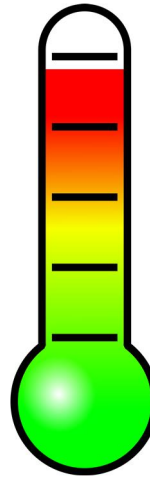


Mass of Anointing of the Sick

We will have the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Misa de Unción de los Enfermos

Tendremos el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos el sábado, 21 de enero del 2017 en la Misa las 5:00 p.m.



HVAC Update

We have raised \$512,256.36 in donations with outstanding pledges totaling an additional \$30,892.17. Thank you to all the parishioners who have donated and all the ministries who have held fund-raising events for the HVAC. **Your help has been vital in accomplishing this important project!**

Actualización del Sistema del Aire Acondicionado y Calefacción

Hemos recaudado \$512,256.36 en donaciones con promesas pendientes a ser pagadas de un total de \$30,892.17. Gracias a todos nuestros parroquianos que han donado y a todos los ministerios que han hecho eventos de recaudaciones de fondos para el sistema HVAC. **¡Ha sido valiosa su ayuda para poder lograr este proyectó importante!**



Thank you to the Altar Society and all the volunteers who helped in getting the church ready for Christmas Eve and Christmas. From cleaning the pews, putting up the banners, polishing the floors and decorating, there is a lot of preparation that takes place and it takes a lot of people to accomplish everything. Volunteers make a world of difference!

¡Gracias a Altar Society y a todos los voluntarios que ayudaron a preparar la iglesia para Noche Buena y Navidad. Desde la limpieza de las bancas, la colocación de las banderas, pulir los pisos y colocando las decoraciones, hay una gran cantidad de preparación que lleva a cabo y se necesita mucha gente para completar todo. Ustedes los voluntarios siempre hacen un mundo de diferencia!

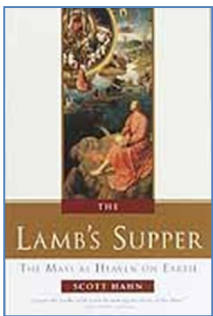
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time/Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

January 17 & 18 *Classes*
January 23 *Classes*
January 24 & 25 *Classes*
January 29 Morning *RCIA class*
but no afternoon Confirmation Class
January 31 *No Classes*
February 1 *No Classes*



Ramon Ramirez and Federico Anibal Reyes – thank you for providing security for our children and parents on Wednesday nights. We appreciate this all year long, but especially during these COLD evenings!



Pope John Paul II described the Mass as "Heaven on Earth," explaining that what "we celebrate on Earth is a mysterious participation in the heavenly liturgy." Would you like to gain a deeper appreciation of the Mass? Please join us for a study of Scott Hahn's *Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth* starting on Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 6:30

p.m. For more information or to register (before January 23rd), contact Judy Whitley at jannwhitley@gmail.com or (817) 590-4446.



Please pray for all of the young men who will be attending the Man Up Retreat next weekend, January 20 & 21, 2017 and for all of the volunteers who will help put on the retreat, that they will all be strengthened by God and open up their hearts to the call to holiness.



Nolan Catholic High School, a Catholic College Preparatory School of the Diocese of Fort Worth, is accepting online applications for qualified current 8th grade students now through January 31st for the 2017-18 school year. Applications are accessed through the school's website at www.nolancatholicchs.org. To arrange a tour, visit, or shadow day experience, or have any questions, please contact Lisa Griffith, Director of Enrollment Management at (817) 395-0436, or email: lgriffith@nchctx.org.



Saint John's Contemporary Choir (Sunday 5:00 p.m. Mass) would like to extend an invitation to any youth (high school aged), young adults, or "young-at-heart" adults with musical ability; to join our choir. If you sing or play an instrument and are interested, please contact Stephanie Arizpe at snarizpe@gmail.com or call the Parish Office for more information at (817) 284-4811.

Annual Respect Life Mass



The Annual Respect Life Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Olson on **Monday, January 23, 2017** at **St. Patrick Cathedral** in downtown Fort Worth. Please join us at 7:00 p.m. to pray for mothers, fathers, family and babies. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

La misa diocesana de Respeto a la Vida Lunes 23 de enero, 2017

La misa diocesana de Respeto a la Vida será celebrada el **Lunes 23 de Enero, 2017** por el Obispo Michael Olson en el **Catedral San Patricio** a las 7:00 p.m. seguida por una recepción en el salón parroquial. Por favor únete para rezar por las madres, padres, familias y bebés. Seguirá una recepción en el salón parroquial.

WELCOME new members

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.

Christian & Maribel Soto
Pauk & Kim Corbo
Jason & Katie Rivera
Jorge Perea
Joseph & Raquel Bradley
Jasmin Marinero
Jose & Cynthia Munoz

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.





The holidays brought a large amount of donations to our Food Pantry and we are very grateful. We have also had a large number of clients asking for help since we were closed for over a week. Please remember to bring a can or box of food each week, especially with one of the following:

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|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Soup | Dried Beans | Rice | Hamburger Helper |
| Toothpaste | Dish Detergent | | Paper Bags |



We have seen many families asking for warm weather clothing for their children this season and we are grateful to be able to provide this resource. But unfortunately, our supply of winter clothing has been severely depleted. We are only able to offer summer clothing to any family who has a child over size 24 months. Please consider helping if you are able to donate gently used winter clothing toddler sizes and above.

What Can I Do To Build a Culture of Life?

- Be a witness
- Participate in 40 Days for Life
- Participate in Civic Action
- Become a Gabriel Angel
- Educate yourself
- Start, lead, or participate in a Pro Life Group
- Support moms in a crisis pregnancy



We have begun our winter season of Room In The Inn. This is a program to aid homeless guests who come to share a couple of meals and spend the night with our volunteers. If you are interested in participating in this program please contact Lupe at 817-284-4811.

Patzun Scholarships

We have several students in need of sponsors for the scholarship program in our sister parish in Patzun, Guatemala. With each scholarship a daily snack, school supplies and a portion of the teacher's salary is funded. If you would like to know more about this program, please contact Colleen at ccargile@sjtanrh.com or (817) 284-4811.

Faith in Action

This week a lady asked for assistance with a prescription. She was scared and desperate and had never asked for assistance before. She had been a teacher for many years but had recently lost her job. The client had injured her eye five days before but could not afford the medication to prevent the loss of her vision. She had explored all the resources she knew until she heard about our prescription assistance program. We were able to work with the pharmacy to provide a generic drug that our client could use. She was extremely grateful to God for guiding her to us and to us for assisting her.



**Saint John the Apostle
Catholic School**

Pre-K – 8th Grade
(817) 284-2228 www.stjs.org

What Our Parents Have to Say about SJS

"I sent my children to Saint John's because a strong Catholic foundation and top notch academics were of the utmost importance to me. I keep them there because not only have we found both of those requirements satisfied, but the faculty and staff is so outstanding that I feel my children have a second home at Saint John's."

Save the Date for Open House

Saint John the Apostle Catholic School invites you to our Open House on Sunday, January 29, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be giving tours and our teachers can answer all of your questions.

Soar to Success Campaign

The funds raised during our 2016-2017 Soar to Success Annual Campaign will directly impact and enhance the quality of education of our students at Saint John the Apostle Catholic School. This year we are raising money for a new roof for our Pre-K building and updates around our campus. Please visit our website to make a donation: www.stjs.org.

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**Testimonio de Nuestros Padres acerca SJS**

"Yo matriculé a mis hijos en la escuela de Saint John porque una gran fundación Católica y altos grados académicos eran de mayor importancia para mí. Y los mantengo ahí, no sólo porque encontré ambos requisitos satisfechos, también porque los profesores y trabajadores son tan extraordinarios que siento mis niños tienen un segundo hogar en Saint John".

**Reserve esta Fecha**

La escuela católica Saint John the Apostle los invita a nuestro "Open House" el domingo, 29 de enero del 2017, desde las 9:00 a.m. hasta la 1:00 p.m. Estaremos dando guías en español, y podremos responder todas sus preguntas.

**Campaña Soar to Success**

Los fondos recaudados durante nuestra Campaña Anual mejorará directamente la calidad de educación recibida por nuestros estudiantes en Saint John the Apostle. Este año planeamos utilizar el monto recaudado en un techo nuevo en el edificio de PreK y renovaciones necesarias en la escuela. Por favor visite nuestra página para donar: [www.stjs.org](http://www.stjs.org).

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time/Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



### PATRIOTIC ROSARY/PRAYER FOR AMERICA

Come let us pray to our Blessed Mother, that she will guard and protect our country from those who wish to destroy it; bring God's influence to our leaders that they lead us based

on his will and not our own, restore love and peace in our hearts, and heal us so that we can truly be one nation under God indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

*Patriotic Rosary* will be held at St. Patrick Cathedral focusing on prayer for our nation and our Church on:

**Monday, January 30, 2017**

Program 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Free rosaries will be available.)

### PLEASE JOIN US

For additional info please call the Ft. Worth Queen of Peace Center at (817) 244-7733 or (817) 558-9805.



Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women welcomes speaker Brooke Taylor on Saturday, January 21, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn, in Lewisville. If interested in attending please contact Judy Whitley for tickets at [jannwhitley@gmail.com](mailto:jannwhitley@gmail.com) or (817) 590-4446. The cutoff date for tickets is January 18, 2017.



Catholic Charities  
Fort Worth

Families First Families First of Catholic Charities offers nine-weeks of

free parenting support group to any parent living in Tarrant County who has at least one child between the ages of 18 months and 12 years of age. Classes are offered in both English and Spanish and will be hosted here at Saint John the Apostle once a week beginning on Thursday, January 19, 2017. Classes are available both during the day and in the evening based on the availability of the parents who participate. Free child care is also available to parents participating in the classes. To enroll in an upcoming class, please sign up with Lydia Bell, Outreach specialist at (817) 289-3895 today!

Familias Primero de Caridades Católicas ofrece nueve semanas grupo de apoyo para padres sin costo alguno para padres que viven en el Condado de Tarrant que tengan por lo menos un niño entre las edades de 18 meses a 12 años. Clases se ofrecen en inglés y en español y serán presentadas aquí en Saint John the Apostle una vez por semana empezando el jueves 19 de enero del 2017. Las clases son ofrecidas durante el día o por la tarde dependiendo de la disponibilidad de los participantes. Cuidado de niños está disponible para padres que participan en las clases. ¡Para inscribirse a la clase, por favor inscribase con Miriam Alfonso, Gerente de Familias Primero al (817) 289-3894 hoy!

### Stewardship

Today's responsorial psalm is the theme song of the good steward: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." May I, too, stand ready to offer myself and my gifts in the service of God.

### Corresponsabilidad

El tema de hoy del salmo responsorial es el del buen administrador: "Aquí estoy, Señor; Para hacer tu voluntad." Que Yo también esté dispuesto a ofreceme y mis dones y yo mismo para el servicio de Dios.



*Our Stewardship of Treasure ...  
Our giving Your gifts helps us to  
better serve our Parish.  
St. John the Apostle...  
A Full Stewardship Parish.....*

**2016 – 2017**

### SUNDAY COLLECTION

|                                                |    |            |
|------------------------------------------------|----|------------|
| Offertory Collection December 25 <sup>th</sup> | \$ | 49,267.81  |
| Month to Date Collection                       | \$ | 142,399.90 |
| Monthly Offertory Collection Budget            | \$ | 134,680.26 |
| Social Service                                 | \$ | 3,567.00   |

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

*Psalm 116:12*

**Scripture Reflection**

As we leave the Christmas season behind us we enter a time we refer to as Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time is the collection of weeks when we do not celebrate a specific ministry in the life of our Savior. We should not think of this time as one where we idle away the days, but rather understanding that on Sunday, the first day of the week, we come together to celebrate our common beliefs, put our collective prayers and needs before the Lord, and receive the grace and strength from the Eucharist. By coming to church we begin our week in the best possible way, celebrating our love of the Lord and His resurrection from the dead.

In the gospel John recalls the baptism of the Lord and shares his belief that Jesus is truly the Son of God. Paul speaks of our sanctification in Christ and Isaiah tells us that Israel is to be the light of the nations. When we examine what we should receive from today's readings, we see the fundamental truth that Jesus came to heal our brokenness and to lead us to the Father out of love and compassion.

Jesus asks us to live our lives in His example. Perhaps a resolution for the new calendar year is to model our lives after Jesus' example and become the people we need to be to ensure we spend eternal life in the Kingdom.

**Reflexiones de Escrituras**

Al dejar la temporada de Navidad atrás entramos a una temporada a la que nos referimos como el Tiempo Ordinario. El Tiempo Ordinario es un grupo de semanas donde no celebramos ningún ministerio específico en la vida de nuestro Salvador. No debemos de pensar que este es un tiempo donde los días los pasamos en vano, pero debemos de entender que el domingo, el primer día de la semana, es cuando nos juntamos para celebrar nuestras creencias que tenemos en común, es cuando ponemos nuestra oraciones y nuestras necesidades unidas ante El Señor, y donde recibimos la gracia y la fortaleza de la Eucaristía. Al venir a misa empezamos nuestra semana de la mejor forma posible, celebrando el amor a nuestro Señor y a Su resurrección de la muerte.

En el Evangelio de Juan nos recuerda el bautizo del Señor y comparte sus creencias de que Jesús es verdaderamente el Hijo de Dios. Pablo nos habla sobre nuestra santificación en Cristo e Isaías nos dice que Israel debe de ser la luz de las naciones. Cuando reflexionamos que es lo que debemos de recibir de las escrituras de hoy, nos damos cuenta de la verdad fundamental de que Jesús vino a curar nuestro quebramiento y guiarnos al Padre por compasión y amor.

Jesús nos pide que vivamos nuestras vidas en Su ejemplo. De pronto una resolución para el nuevo año del calendario es que deberíamos de moldear nuestras vidas después del ejemplo de Jesús y volvernos las personas que debemos ser para asegurarnos la vida eterna en el Reino de los cielos.

**Readings for the Week of January 15, 2017**

- Sunday** Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34
- Monday** Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110: 1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday** Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday** Heb 7:25—8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday** Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday** Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday** 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

*✦ Mass Intentions  
for the Week*

| <u>Mass</u>        | <u>For</u>                 | <u>Requested By</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Sat. 01/14</b>  |                            |                     |
| 5:00PM             | ✦Dzung Baptiste Nguyen     | Phoung Nguyen       |
| <b>Sun. 01/15</b>  |                            |                     |
| 7:30AM             | Caitlyn Runager (Sp. Int.) | Cherokee Runager    |
| 9:00AM             | <b>FOR THE PARISH</b>      | <b>(Pro Populo)</b> |
| 11:00AM            | ✦Richard & Frieda Rutter   | Shirley Klozik      |
| 1:00PM             | ✦Elva Salinas              | Familia Salinas     |
| 3:00PM             | ✦ Kaitlyn G. Sanchez       | Familia Sanchez     |
| 5:00PM             | ✦Marcellino Tuy Dao        | Danny Dao           |
| <b>Mon. 01/16</b>  |                            |                     |
| 8:15AM             | ✦Anna Nguyen Vinh          | Kim Le              |
| <b>Tues. 01/17</b> |                            |                     |
| 8:15 AM            | ✦Hai Le                    | Famigletti Family   |
| <b>Wed. 01/18</b>  |                            |                     |
| 8:15AM             | ✦Joe Barbolla              | Rudy & Cora Herrera |
| 6:30 PM            | ✦Marcellino Tuy Dao        | Danny Dao           |
| <b>Thur. 01/19</b> |                            |                     |
| 8:15AM             | ✦Leon Bukowski             | Shirley Klozik      |
| 7:00 PM            | ✦Maria Angelica Reyes      | Angela Novo         |
| <b>Fri. 01/20</b>  |                            |                     |
| 8:15AM             | ✦Attie Evans               | Stan & Terri Evans  |
| <b>Sat. 01/21</b>  |                            |                     |
| 5:00 PM            | ✦Petra Torres              | The Peffers Family  |
| <b>Sun. 01/22</b>  |                            |                     |
| 7:30AM             | ✦Martha Doan               | Phuong Nguyen       |
| 9:00AM             | ✦Feniciana Herrerdia       | Marilu Buccellato   |
| 11:00AM            | <b>FOR THE PARISH</b>      | <b>(Pro Populo)</b> |
| 1:00 PM            | ✦Marcellino Tuy Dao        | Danny Dao           |
| 3:00PM             | ✦Julia De Jesus Alvarez    | Familia Alvarez     |
| 5:00PM             | ✦Bill "Pop"Kenvin          | Kenvin Family       |

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 especialy ✦Mary Therese Vann, ✦Maria Concepcion Garcia Padilla, ✦Deacon Ron Aziere and ✦Chiaka Justina Ibe.

