

# THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## June 24, 2018

### Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	James Jahn
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	M/M Rick Jahn <i>Anniversary Blessings!</i>
	10 A.M.	Marvin & Estelle Hanus & Gus Machart
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Deceased Members of the Joe Belicek & Rudolph Pesek Families
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Dorothy Sykora
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Agnes Kutach & Joe Lahodny
	10 A.M.	Lester & Adeline Hagan
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Joe & Ann Machalec <i>Anniversary Blessings!</i>
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Martha & Louis Pivoda
	9 A.M.	Casen & Laer Kloesel
	11 A.M.	Manuel & Teosila Martinez

### Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Joe Mata.

### Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or  
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

### This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

### Your Gift to God: June 17<sup>th</sup>

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$4,210
Online Giving	\$950
Building Fund	\$252
St. Ann Parish Support	\$519
Building Fund	\$100
Online Giving	\$255

*May God reward your generosity!*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:00 P.M. –6:30 P.M.  
Saturday: 4:00 – 4:40 P.M.

### Special Collection

A special collection for Peter's Pence (Holy Father) will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

### Liturgical Assignments

#### Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Diana Darilek
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Nancy McNease
	9 A.M.	Anthony Harper
	11 A.M.	Jose Martinez

#### Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Joe Machalec Family
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Ryan & Kellyn Kloesel Family

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Patrick & Bernadette Matussek, Susan Elizondo
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	David & Jo Ann Muehlstein, Joyce Harper
	11 A.M.	Susie Barrera, Graciela Rivas, Pam Garza

#### Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie Proschko, Alan Migl, Bobby & Gladys Jiral
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Dennis & Rose Mary Havlik
	9 A.M.	Glenn & Darlene Renken, Sherri Spaeth, Blaise Dreitner
	11 A.M.	Robert Barrera, Gabriel Espinosa, Raquel Gomez, Gerardo Rivas

#### Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Sophie & Ben Jahn, Arielle Bennetsen
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Hunter Mischer, Clayton Zabransky
	9 A.M.	Tyler & Addison Ferry, Carly Hull
	11 A.M.	Erick & Gael Castillo, Cecilia Rivas

### Sanctuary Flowers

The floral arrangement in the sanctuary this weekend was donated by James & Irma Chomout in honor of their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

*"He came to testify to the light,  
To prepare a people fit for the Lord."*

## Volunteers Needed Monday Morning

Volunteers are needed to help stuff envelopes for the Parish Picnic Raffle Ticket mailing. Anyone willing and able to help should meet at **9:00 A.M. at the Family Center Meeting Room.**

## Altar Server Training

There have been a few inquiries regarding if there will be another Altar Server Training session due to conflicts with the last one scheduled. Yes, there will be one in July...watch the bulletin for date and time.

## Sincere Appreciation

This week the Knights of Columbus State Council richly blessed St. Joseph School with a generous grant. It is through donations, such as this grant, that enable St. Joseph School to continue to grow and offer a quality Catholic education to its students. May God bless the KC State Council abundantly, thus enabling them to have continued success in their outstanding efforts to support Catholic education.

## You are Invited to Attend

An Eight-Part Bible Study

**Follow Me:  
"Meeting Jesus in the  
Gospel of John"**

Monday evenings beginning June 25<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:00 P.M.

St. Joseph Family Center

Cost - \$20

Being Catholic takes more than simply believing in God or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer--he wants you to be his disciple and friend. To help you answer this call to a deeper friendship with Christ, join us Monday evening as we begin **Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John.** For more information contact Sharon Janca at (361) 293-8367. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together.

Gracious God,

We thank you for the many blessings you share with us. In answering our prayers for much needed rainfall, we see Divine Providence at work and are in awe of Your goodness and love for each of us. Continue to shower us with your mercy and grace, so that we may more fully imitate Your Son as His disciples. May the Spirit inspire us to share the goodness we receive from You with all we meet. With Mary's intercession, help us to truly seek and live according to your will. Amen.

## Yesteryear's Challenges Instill Today's Success

Our St. Joe Dough Rollers know what it is to be country--and cool! They can dance the John Deere Polka while working on their B.F. Avery. FarmAll ain't just a demand for what they know is necessary for the entire family to pitch in for a good crop--and they can ride an Oliver or a Ford all the way to Minneapolis or Moline. As much as they have a truly International flavor with their Bohemian heritage as is the Case...they can tell the distinct differences between a "domestic" Massey-Harris and a Massey-Ferguson. Try as one might to pull one over them, even when old Bohumil showed up with an Allis-Chalmers, it didn't cause a bit of worry. Our country girls can handle whatever the challenge they're brought. That same "country farming conviction" is what they bring to their delicacy's dough rolling...and they need your help and donations to make this year's #1 Auction Item a success. The Pyramid of Poppyseed and Cream Cheese rolls promises to be a true harvest...if your donations make it in. The office is open...Ya'll come!

## Apprentice Dough Rollers Needed

The Dough Rollers are looking for new comers to join their team on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. If interested in lending a hand, please contact Tonya Wenzel at 293-7217 or the parish office at 293-3518.



## **-Calling All Youth- You are Invited!**

### **2018 Vacation Bible School**

**July 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>**

#### **St. Joseph Family Center**

**9:00 A.M. – 12-noon**

Students entering grades K-6 will be VBS campers  
Students entering grades 7-12 will be VBS helpers

Adult helpers are also needed

Please contact Jana Guajardo at 361-648-3863 or  
faithformation@stj catholicchurch.com

#### **VBS Day Includes:**

River Run Storytelling; Plunge-In Bible Challenge;  
Fireside Snacks; White Water Games; River Riffs  
Music & Dance, and Sandbar Crafts

#### **VBS Daily Colors:**

Monday – Yellow; Tuesday – Red;  
Wednesday – Purple; Thursday – Green;  
Friday – Blue

**\*Safe Environment Student Awareness**  
will take place Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup> during snack times.

**\*Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup> – Parents are invited to our  
Closing Celebration at 11:45 A.M.\***

**Application forms are available at the entrance of  
the church and at the St. Joseph Pastoral Center.**

### **Recordatorio**

Nos estamos preparando para la Escuela Bíblica de St. Joseph. Si usted tiene un niño en la escuela entre los grados de Kínder al 6 en el entrante año escolar, considere inscribirlo en la Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones. La Escuela Bíblica se llevara a cabo en Julio 9 al 13 a partir de las 9:00 AM hasta las 12:00 mediodía. Si quiere ser voluntario para ayudar a esta actividad o le gustaría tener mas in formación, por favor contacte a Jana Guajardo en faithformation@stj catholicchurch.com Las formas de inscripción puede ser recogidas o dejadas en la oficina de la parroquia. La fecha límite para la inscripción es Viernes, de Junio 29.

### **Parish Office Schedule**

The Parish Office will be closed Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

### **FYI: Family Center**

The Family Center will not be available July 16-22 due to routine floor maintenance and waxing.

### **CCD Registration**

For those who want to get ahead and cross an item off of the annual “to do” list...you can find the registration forms available for download in the parish website (or by stopping by the Pastoral Center during office hours). There will be a designated evening in August for registration—this is just information for the “early birds” amongst us.

### **Reminder: Wednesday Evening Confessions**

Just a reminder that a priest is available in the confessional each Wednesday evening from 6:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. throughout these summer months. This is an additional opportunity to our regular Saturday time of 4:00 P.M. to 4:40 P.M.

### **Diocesan Catechist Rally**

Those involved in Faith Formation/CCD...mark your calendars! “We are Catechists, Witnessing for Jesus: Living as Missionary Disciples” is the theme for the 2018 Catechist Rally which will be held on Saturday, **July 14**, at the Cathedral Center, next to the Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory, Victoria, Texas. The Catechist Rally is a Catechist appreciation and recognition event. All Catechist and Parish Catechetical Leaders are invited to attend.

### **Sacred Heart Teen ACTS Retreat July 19-22**

The Sacred Heart Teen ACTS Retreat will be held **July 19-22** at Cathedral Oaks in Weimar, Texas. Cost is \$160.00 (\$30.00 registration fee will be credited to retreat fee). Retreatants will depart from Hallettsville on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 P.M. and return July 22<sup>nd</sup> for 10:30 A.M. Mass in Hallettsville. Registration forms are available at the back of the church.

## SOS Marriage Retreat

Surrender your marriage to God's plan.

Open your hearts and let the Holy Spirit lead you.

Serve the Lord in all that you do.

Are you longing to spend relaxing quality time with your spouse and better understand God's plan for your marriage and your family? If so, please join us for the annual Hallettsville Deanery marriage retreat, which will be held **August 17-19** at Disciple Oaks in Gonzales. We are all different couples, at all stages of marriage, and this weekend is designed for anyone! Registration forms are located in back of the church. You may contact Jeff and Leslie Chancellor at 361-772-2650 or Anthony and Joyce Harper at 361-798-6325 for more information. We hope to see you there!

## Czech Heritage Pilgrimage to Prague:

There is still time to register for a **Czech Heritage Pilgrimage to Prague**, from September 22-30, 2018, celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Czech statehood and the Feast Day of St. Wenceslaus. Bishop Patrick Zurek and Father Bob Knippenberg will serve as spiritual directors. This pilgrimage is endorsed by the Catholic Family Fraternal of Texas (the K.J.Z.T.) and the Catholic Union of Texas (the K.J.T.). For more information, contact Ceci Triska at 979-543-8575 or email her at [ceci.triska@gmail.com](mailto:ceci.triska@gmail.com). **The deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>**. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Can you spare one hour of your time to help the parish? The Parish Picnic is need of volunteers in various areas and we are only asking for an hour of your time. The more volunteers the shorter the shift. Please contact the parish office if are willing to spare 60 minutes of your time on August 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>. Your contribution will make a difference towards the success of the picnic. Thank you!

*"You, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way."*

## A Note from Principal Mooney

Positions Available 2018-2019 School Year

Kindergarten Teacher

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher

***All applicants must have a Bachelor's degree and 12 hours Education credit OR a valid state teaching certificate.***

Please call or stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney if you are interested in enrolling your child(ren) in St. Joseph's or applying for a teaching position at St. Joseph's.

## Twenty-first Annual St. Joseph School Alumni Reunion Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

Mass – 5:00 P.M.

followed by

Tour of school (for those interested)

Social, Meal, Short Program,

Silent Auction

All alumni of St. Joseph School are invited to attend. This includes high school graduates, 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduates, anyone who attend St. Joseph's for at least one year, faculty and staff.

Cost is \$15.00. Please R.S.V.P. by July 27<sup>th</sup> by contacting the Pastoral Center.

## Friendly Reminder

Just a reminder to all who are involved with assisting at our liturgies: please make use of our online Ministry Scheduler Program (accessible at [www.stj catholicchurch.com](http://www.stj catholicchurch.com)) so as to secure replacement/substitutes when away from the parish family. If for some reason you are having difficulty with accessing the program, call the parish office so that hopefully the problem can be addressed.

## Don't Forget!

*"Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John."*

# When Padre Pio prayed for someone, he used this powerful prayer

Philip Kosloski

***Thousands of miracles are the result of this simple prayer said by a saint.***

Typically when someone asks us to pray for a specific intention, we have our “go-to” prayer. It might be the Rosary, an Our Father, or simply a heartfelt plea to God.

St. Pio of Pietrelcina (more commonly known as “Padre” Pio) had his favorite prayer that he prayed for everyone who asked for his prayers. Every day Padre Pio was asked by numerous people, whether in person or by letter, to pray for a specific intention and many times this intention was miraculously answered by God.

The following is the prayer that Padre Pio would pray each time he wanted to intercede for someone. It is actually a prayer composed by St. Margaret Mary Alacoque and is commonly called the “Efficacious

Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.” She was a saint who lived in the 17th century and during her lifetime received multiple visions of Jesus.

Many believe this is a powerful prayer because it calls upon the heart of Jesus to have mercy on us and our petitions. Jesus’ heart is indeed full of love and compassion and this prayer trusts in that love, believing that he is tender enough to generously grant our petition if it is in his holy will.

Above all things it must be prayed with a sincere faith, as Padre Pio would have prayed it, and not as a candy dispenser. God is not a genie who grants us whatever wish we desire, but instead responds in love to a child who asks for something, knowing exactly what we need.

*I. O my Jesus, you have said: “Truly I say to you, ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you.” Behold I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of ..... (here name your request) Our Father .... Hail Mary .... Glory Be to the Father .... Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.*

*II. O my Jesus, you have said: “Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you.” Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for the grace of ..... (here name your request) Our Father .... Hail Mary .... Glory Be to the Father .... Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.*

*III. O my Jesus, you have said: “Truly I say to you, heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away.” Encouraged by your infallible words I now ask for the grace of ..... (here name your request)*

*Our Father .... Hail Mary .... Glory Be to the Father ... Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.*

*O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of you, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, your tender Mother and ours. Say the Hail, Holy Queen and add: St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us.*

