

The Baptism of the Lord (Feast)

All were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. (Luke 3:15)

The people who had come to hear John the Baptist were expecting something explosive. A prophet had arisen who would denounce all the enemies, all the “bad guys” who made life hard for everyone else. Maybe he was the Christ, the Messiah, come to cast out the Romans and their henchmen and restore Israel to its former glory.

But then came Jesus. A small-town carpenter who spent his time with the powerless and the sinful. The Spirit came upon him instead not a fiery preacher calling out people’s sins, but a humble man preaching love of enemies. Surely people were caught off guard.

Jesus came “to open the eyes of the blind,” not to cast the bad guys into hell (Isaiah 42:7). He came “to bring out prisoners from confinement,” not to punish people for their sins (42:7). He came to take away our sins so that we could learn to love one another good guy and bad guy alike.

When you hear this reading today, close your eyes and picture the scene. Picture John immersing Jesus into the Jordan River a river that had received the sins of all who had come for baptism. Imagine Jesus accepting all of those sins and every sin that they represent.

For the next three years, Jesus will bear these sins, along with the sins of everyone else he comes into contact with. And still bearing those sins, he will teach us about his Father’s mercy, heal us from the wounds of sin, and deliver us from whatever hatred and bitterness is stored up in our hearts. Then he will take all that sin, hatred, and bitterness to the cross, where he will put it to death forever.

Today is the beginning of salvation for you and for everyone else, good guy and bad guy alike. So rejoice in this salvation and ask Jesus to help you love as he loves. Ask him to help you love everyone.

“Praise to you, Jesus, for taking all my sins!” Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7 Psalm 29:1-4, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38

The Word Among Us.

Knights of Columbus will be hosing a breakfast sale **TODAY**, Sunday, Jan. 13th, in the Parish Hall after the 8am and 9:30am morning Masses.

Los Caballeros de Colón tendrá una venta de desayuno **HOY** domingo, 13 de enero después de la 8am y 9:30am Misas de la mañana, en el Salón de la Parroquia.

Adult Confirmation: Contact Yolanda in the church office for registration information. These sessions will begin Monday, March 4, 2019 to end on Monday, May 13, 2019, from 6-7:30 pm in the church office; no sessions on Mondays March 11 & April 15. The sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Thursday, May 23, 2019, at 7 pm in the church.

Llame a Yolanda en la oficina de la iglesia si desea celebrar el Sacramento de la confirmación de un adulto.

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Joe Cosby and Family, Robert Carver, Pat Tally, Sarah Martinez, Teresa Brezenski, Josefina Gomez, Magdalena Urrabazo, Maria Villarreal, Elisa Casanova, SocorroPastrano, Laura Pena, Mary Aguillon, Irene Breeden, Vera Williams, Jessica Lozano, Maria Luisa Rodriguez, Susana Ruiz Velasco, Laura Moreno, George Menjares, Maria del Carmen Morales, Tanya Marie Paveglio, Les Fitzsimon, Sr. Cecilia Rodriguez, Mayra Maricela Martinez, Agnes Kubesch, Roselie Marquez Gonzales, Rome Escobedo, Richard Gonzales, Rudy Reyes, Andy Bonham, Julio Villarreal, Cassey Cosby, Graciela Bernal, Luke Nash, Amalia Villarreal, Juliana Villarreal, Paula Montalbo, Oralía Ortiz, Christian Vasquez, George Garcia, Melva Macias, Tony Garza III, Carmen Flores, Melissa Sanchez Lara, Viola Sanchez, Ruben Sanchez, Dalia Morales, Michael Morales, Vera Williams, Lorie Hernandez, Rene Hernandez, Rene Galindo and Elisa Martinez.

Please call the Parish office at 738-2201, To Add or Remove a name.

Parish Support: Weekend of Dec. 22nd & 23rd, 2018

Church Support Envelope

5:00pm Mass:.....\$1,230.79
8:00am Mass:\$3,910.00
9:30am Mass:.....\$784.60
12:00pm Mass:.....\$1,373.50
7:30pm Mass:.....\$1,506.11

2nd Collection - Building Fund

5:00pm Mass:.....\$161.20
8:00am Mass:.....\$281.00
9:30am Mass:.....\$244.81
12:00pm Mass:.....\$596.00
7:30pm Mass:.....\$428.32
Christmas Eve/Day Offerings:.....\$2,339.46
2nd collection - Assumption Seminary:.....\$644.00
Church Roof Donations:.....\$20,096.00
TOTAL:.....\$33,595.79

Parish Support: Weekend of Dec. 29th & 30th, 2018

Church Support Envelope

5:00pm Mass:.....\$1,569.45
8:00am Mass:\$811.00
9:30am Mass:.....\$721.93
12:00pm Mass:.....\$2,152.45
7:30pm Mass:.....\$2,295.85

2nd Collection - Building Fund

5:00pm Mass:.....\$267.00
8:00am Mass:.....\$119.00
9:30am Mass:.....\$175.48
12:00pm Mass:.....\$129.84
7:30pm Mass:.....\$432.94
New Year’s Eve/Day Offerings:.....\$1,366.92
Building Fund Donation (New Year’s).....\$160.81
Church Roof Donations:.....\$1,209.00
TOTAL:.....\$11,411.67

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 14th ~ 11:30am

† Raul Lira
Zachary Hanson (Special Intention)

Tuesday, January 15th - 11:30am

Paula Montalbo (In Thanksgiving)
† Conception “Connie” Sifuentez

Wednesday, January 16th ~ 11:30am

Larry & Alice Zoller (Special Intention)
Millie Castro (Special Intention)

Thursday, January 17th ~ 11:30am

† Jesse Morales Jr.
Olivia Hennessey (Special Intention)
St. Anthony, Abbot

Friday, January 18th ~ 11:30am

† Fr. Joseph Nowak

Saturday, January 19th~ 5:00pm

† Mr. & Mrs. Simon Alva Sr.
† Mr. & Mrs. Morris Torres

Sunday, January 20th

8:00am † Manuel P. Galindo

† James A. Troutz

9:30am † Arnoldo & Marta Villa

† Juan & Dolores Villa Cázares

12:00pm Altar Society Living & Deceased Members

7:30pm Harold V. & Vicky Gaskill III (In Thanksgiving)

People of the Parish

Parish Support: Weekend of Dec. 5th & 6th, 2019

Church Support Envelope

5:00pm Mass:.....\$1,107.00

8:00am Mass:.....\$2,202.00

9:30am Mass:.....\$947.81

12:00pm Mass:.....\$1,422.64

7:30pm Mass:.....\$1,422.64

2nd Collection - Building Fund

5:00pm Mass:.....\$378.00

8:00am Mass:.....\$126.00

9:30am Mass:.....\$304.76

12:00pm Mass:.....\$329.45

7:30pm Mass:.....\$329.45

Church Roof Donations:.....\$33.00

TOTAL:.....\$8,225.33



Missionary Image of
Our Lady of Guadalupe
San Antonio Visit
January 11th-February 4th, 2019



Come join us during the San Antonio visitation of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, an exact replica of the miraculous tilma, commissioned by Pope John Paul II of the Bishops of Mexico for the Evangelization of the Americas and in the Defense of the Sanctity of Life, in the Defense of the Sanctity of Marriage and the Reparation of All Souls Back to God. In closing his apostolic exhortation, Church in America, (1999) then Blessed Pope John Paul II prayed: “Oh Sweet Lady of Tepeyac, Mother of Guadalupe! We present to you this countless multitude of faithful...You who have come into their hearts, visit and comfort all homes, parishes, and dioceses of all the Continent.”

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

Monday, February 4, 2019

Presentation 5:00pm

Rosary 6:00pm

Veneration 6:30pm

Adoration 7:00pm-8:00pm

For more information please contact: Darlene D. Jimenez

Director, St. Joan of Arc Brigade

(210) 771-5757

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WEEKLY MEETINGS:

Legion of Mary: Tuesday’s at 5:20pm in the Parish office.

Eucharistic Adoration: Monday’s 7pm-8pm (St. John’s Church).

Men’s Prayer Group: Saturday’s in Casa de Juan from 7:30am - 9:00am. Contact Mike Constantino at 210.415.7278.

MONTHLY MEETINGS:

Guadalupeans: On the 12th day of each month. Contact Maria Gomez at 210-268-7760

Knights of Columbus: Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. Contact person is Valdo Carrizales 210-735-8440.

Women’s Fellowship: Every third Saturday of the Month at Casa de Juan from 11am till 2pm.

Altar Society: Third Sunday of the month after the 12:00pm Mass. Contact Parish Office 210-738-2201

Men’s ACTS: 3rd Monday of the month in Hall at 7pm.

Youth Group: Contact Virena Sampayo at 210-788-6453 or Marisol Ramirez at 210-723-1355.

ACTS: Contact Julie Constantino at 210-288-1405.

Adult Religious Education (RCIA) & Faith Formation Classes (CCD): Parish Office at 210-738-2201ext 13.

Young Adults Ministry: Second Thursday of each month from 6pm to 9pm at Casa de Juan. For more information contact is Anna Gomez at 210-331-3044