

NOVEMBER 27, 2011

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
ST. JOHN, TEXAS

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CHURCH
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MASS SCHEDULE

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday	Nov. 26	6:00 P.M.	Charles Hajek	St. John
Sunday	Nov. 27	9:30 A.M.	Mary & Louise Filip	Moravia

First Friday

Friday	Dec. 2	8:00 A.M.	Tom Farek	St. John
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Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday	Dec. 3	6:00 P.M.	Henry R. & Julia Olsovsky & Rebecca Patterson	Moravia
Sunday	Dec. 4	9:30 A.M.	Lebert & Leona Berger	St. John

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday	Dec. 8	6:30 P.M.	Irene Mendel	St. John
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Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday	Dec. 10	6:00 P.M.	Special Intention	St. John
Sunday	Dec. 11	9:30 A.M.	Frank & Carolyn Okruhlik, Frances & Frank Tupa, Sr.	Moravia

THE WORD OF GOD

First Sunday of Advent

Readings: Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b;64:2b-7 Psalm 80:2-3,15-16,18-19 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:33-37

Lord, rend the heavens and come down. Come and save us from our sins. Let us turn again to you and so be found blameless when you return in glory.

Second Sunday of Advent

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 Psalm 85:9-14 2 Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8

As we await new heavens and a new earth, let us make clear the way of the Lord by being servants of justice, truth, and peace.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

Patronal Feast Day of the United States - Readings: Genesis 3:9-15,20 Psalm 98:1-4 Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12 Luke 1:26-38

Chosen by God, Mary reverses the sin of Eve. Because of her obedience, God's salvation is made known to all the nations.

Third Sunday of Advent

Readings: Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11 (Ps) Luke 1:46-50,53-54 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8,19-28

John witnesses to one who is to come, one far mightier than he, one who will proclaim freedom and deliverance from sin and death. As we await his coming again in glory, let us join with Mary in singing the praises of God.

Our Lady of Guadalupe (USA)

Readings: Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelations 11:19a;12:1-6a, 10ab Psalm 13:18bc,19 Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47 or 707-712

As suggested: A woman, clothed with the sun, daughter of the Most High God, proclaims the greatness of the Lord, the One who comes to dwell with us. She is the servant of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today we begin a new church year on the First Sunday of Advent. We start preparing ourselves in a special way for the celebration of the birth of Our Lord.

On this First Sunday of Advent, we also begin using some new words in the various prayers we pray at Mass. You have some pew cards as well as the new missalettes you pick up as you enter church. Please use either the missalette and/or the Pew Card until we get familiar with the different words. We ask that you be patient until we grow accustomed to the changes.

ST. JOHN CRIB

The crib in St. John Church will be assembled after 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 18. Stay and help, if you can.

ST. JOHN MUSIC REHEARSAL

Music practice for Christmas Mass (and caroling before) will be on Saturday morning, December 17. Be in balcony 10-30-12 noon on Saturday, December 17, for our only rehearsal. To aid in preparation, please put your names on Bulletin Board list. For conflicts call Elsie 979-562-2159.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donations for the Christmas flowers for St. John Church in memory of loved ones can be mailed to Pam Besetsny at 5325 W. County Line Rd, Schulenburg, TX. 78956 or call to 979-562-2818 (home) 979-743-6119 (office) or 979-561-6994 (cell).

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 26 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - James Lofland, Miranda Shimek
Sunday, November 27 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Rylie Lux, Dylan Goldberg, Caleb Krischke
Saturday, December 3 - 6:00 p.m. - Moravia - Caitlyn Deem, Ashley & Joshua Becan
Sunday, December 4 - 9:30 a.m. - St. John - April & Clayton Brossmann, Blaine Besetzny
Saturday, December 10 - 6:00 p.m. - St. John - James Lofland, Rylie Lux, Dylan Goldberg
Sunday, December 11 - 9:30 a.m. - Moravia - Caleb Krischke, Blaine Besetzny, Miranda Shimek

The correct contact for Seth Eckhardt on your call list is 979-743-4435.

ST. JOHN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER – Gladys Besetzny, Sharon Bujnoch & Vicky Kainer

GENERATIONS OF FAITH(GOF)

At our last GOF, Father Tommy presented a very fun-filled, educational program on the changes in the Mass which began today. He also gave each of the participants crucifixes! We thank him for the education, candy, and crucifixes. Each participant also made an Advent Service chain and everyone should be working on their daily acts of service. **Our next Generations of Faith is on the second Wednesday of December, Wednesday, December 14, 2011**, due to the Christmas school breaks. We will be discussing “Praying Through Advent and Christmas.” **We will be collecting non-perishable food for the local food banks as our Advent service project in connection of the Hallettsville Cub Scout Pack 222 and Boy Scout Troop 222. Each GOF participant is asked to bring at least one item.** If you wish to participate in the \$5.00 sandwich meal, please notify Mrs. Dana, 979-562-2381 or 713-822-3019, by Sunday, December 11, 2011.

ASCENSION CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for the Christmas Eve Mass at Moravia will be Tuesday, December 20th, 6:00 pm at the Ascension of Our Lord church. We will sing Christmas carols in English and some in Czech. All voices are welcome!

PRO LIFE

Families are a Divine Institution set up by God! God and Nature have ordered marriage and conjugal love towards two ends: 1. Procreation, and the nurturing and education of children. 2. Strengthening the loving bond between the spouses, thus creating society’s most important community - the family. (Life and Family Advocates NEWS)

MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR IRENE MENDEL

St. John Building Fund

Mark, Virginia & Meagan Jurica	\$50	Harlan & Joyce Kobza	\$25
Dorothy & Vernon Berger	\$20	Arnold & Dorothy Berger	\$25
Clarence Roemer Family	\$20	Alvin & Bernice Havel	\$25
Pam & Robert Besetsny	\$20	Alvin & Gladys Besetzny	\$2
Leo & Joyce Janda	\$20	Leroy & Andre Mendel Kainer	\$10
Edward Kusy Family	\$20	Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Chaloupka	\$10
Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Bujnoch	\$10	Angeline & Becky Munsch	\$20
Georgie Kalich	\$20	Mr. & Mrs. Scotty Brossmann & Family	\$20
David & Lorine Kubenka	\$10	Robert & Peggy Mendel	\$20
Angie Schwenke	\$5	Janice L. Homeyer	\$25
Forrest & Ann Dittrich	\$25		

St. John Cemetery Fund

Cathy Galipp & Duane Warnken	
Taylor, Caitlin & Ryan	\$20
Jimmy Hrcek	\$20
Lawrence & Tracy Friedrich	\$20
Ollie Mendel	\$10
Marvin & Leona Hrcek	\$10
Carolyn & Larry Gene Osina	\$10
Johnnie & Pat Balcar	\$10
Dennis & Patricia Otto	\$10
Jerry & Donna Perry & family	\$20
Victor & Margaret Molnosky	\$10
Diane Kutac	\$10
Eugene & Betty Patalik	\$10
Bruce & Marcille Patteson	\$25
Julius & Dolores Krause	\$10
Tommy & Vicky Kainer	\$30

St. John Church Donations

Bernice & Gene Pauler	\$25
Donald & Karen Kutac	\$25
Billy & Agnes Strickland	\$20
Betty & Phillip Tucker & family	\$20

St. John CCD Program

Albert & Agnes Berckenhoff	\$10
Gerald & Estella Kobza	\$15

Masses

Evelyn Kusy	\$10
Leera Grosch	\$10
Harold & Susie Kalich	\$20
Don & Charlene Pennington	\$15
Ollie Mendel	\$15
Richard & Doris Hunnicutt	\$25

St. John Altar Society

Eugene & Jo Marie Krupala	\$15
Elsie Farek	\$10
Lillian Besetzny	\$10
Albert & Dorothy Olsovsky	\$10
Alphonse Besetzny	\$10
Don & Charlene Pennington	\$10

Father John’s Seminary Burse

Willie E. Barborak	\$10
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St. John Seminary Burse

Richard, Jeanie & Bruce Bures	\$40
William & Mary Lou Dujka	\$20
Jerome & Georgia Pavliska	\$20
Kenny & Sue Zapalac	\$20
Dennis & Carol Siegel	\$20