



St. John the Baptist

CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

| Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - Friday 8:30am - English

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday 5:00pm - English

7:00pm - Spanish

Sunday 8:00am - English

10:00am - English

12:00pm - Spanish

CONFESSIONS

Friday 7:30am - 8:15am

Saturday 3:00pm - 4:45pm

Other By Appointment

CLERGY

Rev. John Taosan, Pastor

David Bowman, Deacon

Allen Stanton, Deacon

Lupe Martinez, Deacon

PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Friday | 10:00am - 5:00pm

281-331-3751 stjohns110@gmail.com

Faith Formation (CCE) OFFICE

Sunday 10:00am - 12:00pm

Monday & Tuesday 10am - 4pm

Wednesday 2pm - 7pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

281-824-0877

Bienvenidos!



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." - Mt 25:34

"Vengan, benditos de mi Padre; tomen posesión del Reino preparado para ustedes desde la creación del mundo". - Mt 25, 34

Upcoming Special Masses

Nov. 23, 2023 8:30am Mass Bilingual, Thanksgiving Day

Dec. 7, 2023 7pm English Mass, Immaculate Conception Vigil (Holy Day)

Dec. 8, 2023 8:30am Eng. Mass and 7pm Sp. Mass (Holy Day)

Dec. 9, 2023 9am Procession Start's at Stanton's

10am Mass Bilingual, Lunch in the Pavillion—11am Matachines

Dec. 12, 2023 5am Mañanitas / Rosary—Virgin de Guadalupe

8:30am Mass English

Dec. 19, 2023 7pm Penance Service

Dec. 24, 2023 8am, 10am, 12pm Regular Masses

Christmas Mass: 5pm Children's Mass English

7pm Posada - 7:30 Mass Spanish

10:30pm (Eng. Mid-Night Mass)

Dec. 25, 2023 8:30am **Christmas Mass** 8:30am Eng. & 10:30am Sp.

Monthly Youth Mass

1st Sunday of each month at 5pm:

December 3, 2023

January 7, 2024

February 4, 2024

March 3, 2024

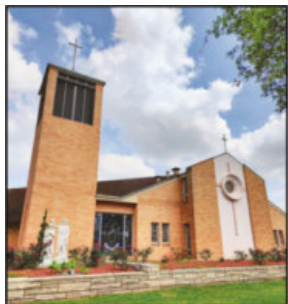
April 7, 2024

May 5, 2024



Rev. John Taosan, Pastor

Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Monday - Friday
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

FACEBOOK: stjohalvin**EMAIL:** StJohns110@Gmail.com**WEBSITE:** www.StJohnAlvin.org

New Parishioners

Welcome Home. To Register in our parish, you may pickup a registration form from the parish office or print one from our website. It can be dropped off at any collection Mass Basket or the office door slot if we are closed.

Nuevos Feligreses

Bienvenido a casa. Para registrarse en nuestra parroquia, puede recoger un formulario de registro en la oficina parroquial o imprimir uno de nuestro sitio web. Se puede dejar en cualquier canasta de colleccion durante la Misa o en la ranura de la puerta de la oficina, si estamos cerrados.

Bulletin Announcements must be received on Friday's by 5pm, 7 days prior to announcement, except during holidays. For any upcoming Holidays or holy days, it must be submitted as soon as possible. No PDF files please. Send to stjohs110@gmail.com. Copies for inserts must be done in CCE Office during CCE Office hours! Next office closed day is November 23 & 24. Thank you!



IN OUR PRAYERS EN ORACION

Steve Davenport
Billy & Ann Wynn
Mike Crawford
Donald Poe
Amy Hatfield
Daniel Cuellar
Amy Hatfield

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

Please call the parish office to add someone whom is sick to the prayer list on the bulletin. Their name will remain in the bulletin for 30 days from the date of request. Also request for a pastoral visit for anointing of the sick, call the office (281) 331-3751.

To place someone on the St John's (online) prayer list, please call Joyce Chiasson at (713) 410-4247.



SATURDAY, SABADO NOV 25

12:00PM † Charles Davidson Funeral

5:00PM † Henry, †Alice & †Henry Adame Jr.

7:00PM † Victor Lozano

SUNDAY, DOMINGO NOV 26

8:00AM Ellen Grace Clay

10:00AM For the People

12:00PM † Victor Lozano

MONDAY, LUNES NOV 27

8:30AM † Juanita Wright

TUESDAY, MARTES NOV 28

8:30AM Johnson Family

WEDNESDAY, MIERCOLES NOV 29

8:30AM † Audrey Elise George

THURSDAY, JUEVES NOV 30

8:30AM † Juanita Wright

FRIDAY, VIERNES DEC 1

8:30AM † Juanita Wright

7:00PM † Hilario Celaya

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offering Collection of:

Nov. 11 & 12 = \$ 12,586 Nov. 18 & 19 Not Avail.

Caring Hearts = \$ 2,806 Human Dev. Not Avail.

This Weekend's 2nd Collection:

Building Fund / Gastos Para los Edificios

Next Weekend's Collection:

Maintenance and Repair / Mantenimiento Y Reparaciones

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MEDITACION / MEDITATION

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVAGELIO

26 de Noviembre de 2023

Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

Este domingo, celebramos la Solemnidad de Jesucristo Rey del Universo. Hoy es el último domingo del Tiempo Ordinario, dentro de ocho días daremos comienzo al Tiempo de Adviento que nos prepara para la Navidad. Las lecturas nos hablan del Pastor supremo que es Jesucristo, que reunirá a las ovejas y a los cabritos para el juicio final. Todos, sin excepción, tendremos un examen. Seremos examinados en el amor y la caridad que hemos llevado a cabo en nuestra vida. Así que atentos, no dudemos en siempre hacer el bien.

El Papa Francisco lo explica de la siguiente manera: "Seremos juzgados por el amor. El juicio será por el amor. No por el sentimiento, no: por las obras, por la compasión que se hace cercanía y ayuda solícita. ¿Yo me acerco a Jesús presente en la persona de los enfermos, de los pobres, de los que sufren, de los presos, de los que tienen hambre y sed de justicia? ¿Me acerco a Jesús presente allí? Esta es la pregunta de hoy (11-22-2020). Pero, ¿Cómo lograr hacer el bien ante la guerra y violencia de todo tipo? ¿Cómo hacerlo en la familia dividida entre las dificultades? Creo que, es no perdiendo la esperanza y cooperar siempre con nuestro granito de arena que, aunque pequeño, será grande si va lleno de caridad y amor. Recordemos que estamos en este mundo para hacer el bien. Hoy se nos dice que Cristo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y muertos y su reino no tendrá fin. ¡Confiemos tengamos esperanza!

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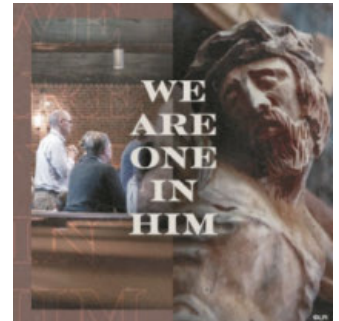
November 26, 2023

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

In May 2023, for the first time in almost three quarters of a century, a monarch was crowned in England. A few days later a friend of mine scoffed, "What a waste of time and energy! What is the point of a king?"

I'm a proud American who wants neither theocracy nor monarchical restoration. I like our democratic republic. But the coronation of King Charles reminded me of something needed in every person and community: confidence in the future. The king's most basic role is to symbolize the unity of the nation. In England, the parliament members handle many of the practical duties of governance. But the king or queen can do what they cannot: embody in a single person the reality and future of a whole nation. To say, "this is our king" is to say, "we exist as a community, and we have a future." Kingship isn't primarily about the power of one person or family. It's about the enduring identity and unity of the whole.

To say Christ is our King is to say we exist as a people. We are one in him. We are, and we will be as long as he is. And since he will be our risen king forever, together we have a future filled with hope. Even the best countries will finally fall. But Christ and his Church will endure forever. What good news! It's not a waste of time to crown a king. We do it all the time. Let's be sure to crown the right one — whose kingdom never ends. — Father John Muir ©LPi



"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56).

ANNOUNCEMENTS / ANUNCIOS

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The future of our Church depends on it.

*The only cure for sagging or fainting
faith is Communion.*

-J.R.R. Tolkien, author of The Lord of the Rings

St. Mary Seminary

St. Mary Seminary, established in 1901, exists for the personal, spiritual, academic and pastoral preparation of men for the Roman Catholic priesthood. Candidates for the diocesan priesthood reside at St. Mary Seminary and are involved in an extensive program of priestly formation, based on the Program of Priestly Formation of the U.S. Catholic Bishops.

St. Mary Seminary offers an opportunity to grow and develop in one of the most multicultural cities in the United States. The majority of our formation and academic faculty are bilingual in Spanish and English. All of our faculty have broad and extensive ministerial experience in multicultural settings. The St. Mary Seminary experience fosters the human and spiritual maturity of the candidates as they grow in their relationship with the person of Jesus Christ and in their desire to serve the People of God in their local diocese. The seminary formation program fully integrates the following components of ministerial preparation:

- Human Formation
- Spiritual Formation
- Pastoral Formation
- Intellectual Formation

The University of St. Thomas School of Theology at St. Mary Seminary offers a Master of Divinity program to seminary students. The Master of Divinity is a professional degree program designed to develop the academic, spiritual and pastoral skills necessary for ministerial leadership in the Church. The School of Theology also offers a Master of Arts in Theological Studies program to qualified students. For more information about the degree programs offered by the University of St. Thomas School of Theology at St. Mary Seminary visit www.stthom.edu.

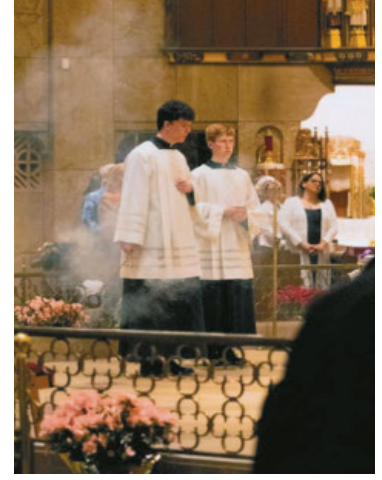


Youth Music Ministry Practice

Almost every Sunday the Youth Music Ministry practices in the church hall from 3:00-4:30. Anyone grades 6th through young adult may attend. Bring your voice or an instrument you play. Schedules are flexible.

Contact for Questions:

Ronnie Rombs 281-923-0361
Bonnie Mondragon 832-457-8854



Altar Servers Practice & Training

Who: Any child/teen in grades 4th - 12th and who has completed the Sacrament of First Communion or any current altar server

When: Next training will be on January 1, 2024

Time: 6:00-7:00 pm

Where: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Questions? Contact:

Ramiro Mondragon
832-580-1925

rmondragon2006@yahoo.com

Bonnie Mondragon
832-457-8854

busyb1876@yahoo.com

Monthly Youth Mass

1st Sunday of each month at 5pm:

December 3, 2023

January 7, 2024

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DEVOCIONES 25 de Noviembre, 2023

La Sagrada Familia

Familia: Garcia-Ibarra

Coordinadora: Claudia Ibarra 713-401-7969

Crucifijo de Vocaciones

Familia: Lopez-Aguilera

Coordinadora: Flor Castellan 832-729-7678

Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia

Familia: Estrada

Coordinadora: Rosario Ibarra 832-277-7361

Rosario a la Virgen de Guadalupe

Familia Mata

Coordinadora: Esmeralda Olvera 832-336-1731



Pray for Vocations Crucifix Schedule

5:00pm Nov 25 Lisa Harshman
8:00am Nov 26 Karen Jackson
10:00am Nov 26 Lucy Valdez

DEVOCIONES / DEVOTIONS



Mending Our Hearts Through Christ is a consolation ministry that provides support to our brothers and sisters who are struggling to recover from the loss of a loved one. Following a 10-week structured format that uses "The New Day Journal: A Journey From Grief to Healing", participants walk through the tasks of grieving and begin to plan a life without their loved ones. This process is not a counselling service, a program, or a class. Rather, it is a support group of no more than 10 people that helps others through their grief journey. Groups are led by compassionate leaders who have been through extensive training by the diocese and who have themselves participated in this 10-week grieving process. Group size is limited and fills up quickly, so sign up soon.

Jan. 8 - March 11, 2024 (9:30 -11:30 AM)

Jan. 8 - March 11, 2024 (6:30 -08:30 PM)

March 18 – May 20, 2024 (9:30 -11:30 AM)

March 18 – May 20, 2024 (6:30 -08:30 PM)

Sept. 9 – Nov. 11, 2024 (9:30 -11:30 AM)

Sept. 9 – Nov. 11, 2024 (6:30 -08:30 PM)

All sessions are held on Mondays in the old rectory room next to the church office.

To register online: Please visit the parish website at

www.stjohnalvin.org

Marguerite Bagwell, Consolation Ministry Leader



In Memory Of:
**Sylvia
Luna**

Glory Hour

Wednesday's at 6:30PM

Hora Santa en Espanol

Primer Viernes del Mes

Despues de la

Misa de 7:00PM



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Women's ACTS Retreat Nov. 30 - Dec. 3, 2023

If you or someone you know is interested in attending the ACTS retreat please reach out to one of our retreat leadership. We will be happy to help. It is \$225 for the weekend. There are scholarships available on case by case basis.

Director:

Kelly Johnston 936.524.1478

Spiritual Companion:

Laura Hoffmann 832.814.9004

Co-Directors:

Mary Hoffmann 832.878.2598

Janet Machacek 281.467.9874

Jen Robinson 626.422.5121

Financial Coordinator:

Angie Rios 281.236.7412



IF HE COMES SUDDENLY, DO NOT LET HIM FIND YOU SLEEPING. WHAT I SAY TO YOU, I SAY TO EVERYONE, 'WATCH!'
MARK 13:36-37



St. John's Catholic Daughters
of America

2024 Education Contest

4th through 12 Graders

Contest Themes

***"God's love and kindness will
shine upon us like the sun
that rises" Luke 1:78 or***

***How does my love shine
for others?***

Divisions & Categories:

Division 1 Grades 4-5

Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art

Division 2 Grades 6-7-8 &

Division 3 Grades 9-10-11-12

Essay, Poetry, Art, Computer Art, Music,
Photography

Division 4 CDA members

Poetry, Art, Photography

**Contestants may be Catholic and
Non-Catholic**

**All entries must be contestant's original work and
creation and reflect one of the two themes**

Get Contest Rules, Form and Details

in the office or

Request electronic version

from Frances Schneider:
schnei309@aol.com

**Deadline: January 31, 2024
(postmarked or received by)**

**\$ Win Local, State & National \$
\$ Cash Prizes \$**

Local: First \$30 (goes on to State Contest); Second
\$20; Third \$15



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

OCT 6 : NOV 3 : DEC 3 : JAN 5 : FEB 2

\$ 12.00 / PLATE

ALVIN COLUMBUS HALL
129 CR146 (HWY 6) Alvin, TX

5: 00 pm. - 7: 00 pm.

FRIED CATFISH DINNERS



CHURCH RENOVATIONS 2023

We are still in need of families or ministries to sponsor a pew. A little over half of the pews have been sponsored. Your help is greatly appreciated
Other items currently waiting for contributors are:

Upholstered Wooden Chairs \$200ea.

Pew \$2,800 each

Altar Banners \$700 a pair

(2) Processional Candle \$1,650 ea.

Incense Censer \$800

Incense Stand \$1,300

(6) Altar Candle Holders \$750 ea.

(2) Holy Water Wall Font \$700 ea

Please call the office for more information at 281-331-3751.

Todavía necesitamos familias o ministerios para patrocinar una banca. Solo un poco de la mitad de nuestras bancas han sido patrocinadas. Su ayuda es muy apreciada. Otros artículos que actualmente esperan un patrocinador son:

Sillas tapizadas de madera \$200cu.

Bancas de la iglesia \$2,800 cu.

Estandartes para el Altar \$700 el par

(2) Velas de Procesion \$1,650 c/u.

Incensario \$800

Base para el Incensario \$1,300

(6) Portavela para el altar \$750 c/u.

(2) Fuente para Agua Bendita (Pared) \$700

We are in need of a wedding and quinceañera volunteer coordinator. Rehearsals for bride, groom, family and quinceañera's usually takes place on Thursday's and must be able to attend the Mass. Please call the parish office if interested. Necesitamos una coordinadora voluntaria de bodas y quinceañeras. Los ensayos para la novia, el novio, la familia y la quinceañera se llevan a cabo los Jueves y deben poder asistir a la Misa. Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial si está interesado.



Men's (18yrs or older) prayer, scripture study, fellowship every Saturday of the month from **8am-9:30am** in the Office Meeting Room.

Doughnuts and coffee provide.

Contact Mark Lund 281-331-9202



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023

The Guadalupanas of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church invite all our parish to attend the celebration of the miracle at Tepeyac of Our of Lady of Guadalupe. It is with her motherly love and guidance that we come together and walk with her in unity. As we prepare this Advent for the coming of the new born King we walk in unity in preparation to worship Our Lord in the new Church Sanctuary this Christmas-United in ONE BODY. Come, let us join together to honor "our little mother" who humbly said "yes."

8:30 a.m. Begin lineup for walk at Stanton's parking lot

9:00 a.m. Walk to St John the Baptist begins

10:00 a.m. Mass – the KC Honor Guard escorting

11:30 a.m. Lunch provided for all in the Pavilion. "To go" boxes will be served;
a few tables will be setup for those that want to stay.

(If weather is bad, the walk will be cancelled; all other festivities will continue as planned).

LAS MANANITAS, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

We begin with lineup at 5:00 a.m. - Rosary, Music, and Enactment of the Apparition.

Pan Dulce and Hot Chocolate will be served after, at the Pavilion.

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Grades PK3-8th



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