



St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 3, 2024

| 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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!



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

Jesús le dijo: "Si conocieras el don de Dios y quién es el que te pide de beber, tú le pedirías a él, y él te daría agua viva". - Jn 4, 10

PENANCE SERVICE / SERVICIO DE PENITENCIA : March 14 at 6:30pm



Monthly Youth Mass

1st Sunday of the month at 5pm:

March 3, 2024

April 7, 2024

Misa en Español

Jueves 7:00 PM - Cuaresma

22 y 29 de Febrero, 2024

7, 21, 28 de Marzo, 2024



John Taosan, Pastor

Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

**ADDRESS:**

110 E. South Street
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Office Hours:

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 stjohns110@gmail.com. Copies for inserts must be done in CCE Office during CCE Office hours! Next office closed day is March 28(1/2 day), 29, & April 1.

IN OUR PRAYERS EN ORACION



Billy & Ann Wynn
Aric A. Rodriguez
Gigi Stinson
Atlin Gabler
Ralph Meza
Pat Gonzalez
Anne Penner

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 MAR 2

8:00AM † Charles Abschneider
12:00PM Soto & Ramirez Wedding
5:00PM † Lorraine Candrian
7:00PM † Reynario Rueda

SUNDAY, DOMINGO MAR 3

8:00AM † Celedonio & † Simona Campos
10:00AM For the People
12:00PM † Juan & † America Llamas

MONDAY, LUNES MAR 4

8:30AM † Joseph Leo Ankenbruck, Jr.

TUESDAY, MARTES MAR 5

8:30AM Gregory Cavallo

WEDNESDAY, MIERCOLES MAR 6

8:30AM The Holy Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, JUEVES MAR 7

8:30AM † Betty Garcia Cochran
7:00PM Yolanda Vazquez Perez

FRIDAY, VIERNES MAR 8

8:30AM † Ernest & † Virginia Garza

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offering Collection of:

Feb. 24/25 = \$ 11,039 Bldg Fund = \$3,159

This Weekend's 2nd Collection:

Caring Hearts BB/ Corazones Bondadosos Bolsa Negra

Next Weekend's Collection:

Catholic Relief Services/ Servicios de Ayuda Catolica

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MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

3 de Marzo de 2024
3er Domingo de la Cuaresma

Recientemente remodelaron la parroquia a la que pertenezco y quedó muy bonita. El párroco trataba de complacer a sus feligreses ya que opinaban en diferentes gustos. Ya saben, la gente opina siempre y muchas veces solo critican y no cooperan absolutamente en nada. El párroco hablaba de que el lugar sea una verdadera casa de oración. Un lugar de encuentro con Jesús. Un lugar donde los Sacramentos sean vida en los feligreses, especialmente la Eucaristía. ¿Cómo es tu parroquia? ¿Es un lugar de oración o se ha convertido en un lugar de negocios y de eventos sociales? Será que Jesús nos puede decir como en su tiempo a los mercaderes y cambistas del Templo: “Saquen eso de aquí y no conviertan la Casa de mi Padre en un mercado” (Juan 2:16).

Para tener más claro el mensaje del Evangelio de hoy, veamos lo que el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica nos dice en el número 593: “Jesús veneró el Templo subiendo a él en peregrinación en las fiestas judías y amó con gran celo esa morada de Dios entre los hombres. El Templo prefigura su Misterio. Anunciando la destrucción del Templo anuncia su propia muerte y la entrada en una nueva edad de la historia de la salvación, donde su cuerpo será el Templo definitivo”. Los bautizados somos templos vivos de Dios. Entonces, ¿cómo nos cuidamos? Qué hacemos para mejorar el lugar que Dios merece en nuestra vida. ¡Urge que respondamos en esta Cuaresma a los impulsos del Espíritu Santo! ©LPi

GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 3, 2024
3rd Sunday of Lent

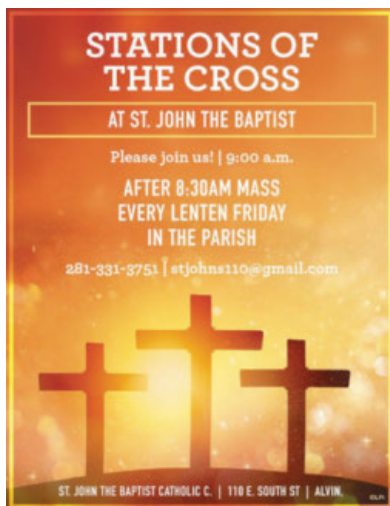
I am the Lord your God ... You shall not have other gods beside me. —Ex 20:2-3

One of the greatest golfers of all time — if not the greatest — was Jack Nicklaus. Which is why it is baffling that at the beginning of each season he would return to his childhood coach and re-learn how to grip the golf club. It's like Shakespeare re-learning the alphabet and grammar. Why would he do that? Because Jack knew that the fundamentals are always relevant. Perfecting and obsessing over his grip allowed him to do everything else in the game well. In sports and life, the best ones love the basics.

Similarly, as we begin Lent, we re-learn the spiritual basics in the Ten Commandments. Consider the first, to “have no other gods besides me.” This is our “grip.” Is our connection to God one of absolute fidelity and exclusive worship? Am I willing to let go of my precious idols, the things I cling to instead of God? Once we say “yes” to this fundamental question of our spiritual “grip,” then we are ready to properly engage with everything else in life. Watch how beautifully the game of life unfolds in the next nine commandments (numbered in parentheses): how we speak to God and others (2 and 8), how we organize our week (3), how we relate to our family (4) and the wider community (5 and 7), how we live our sexuality (6), and how we order all the other desires of the human heart (9 and 10). But don't rush to these later Commandments too soon! Everything in life is built on the first Commandment. The more we focus on worshipping God alone, the better we navigate the complexity of life with panache, effectiveness, and love.

Lenten challenge: This week, identify what you can do to better worship God alone. If you're not sure, scan the last nine commandments to identify what you are most likely to worship instead of God. Power, pleasure, control of your time, possessions, family, health, reputation, money? Commit to concrete action to help you let go of this “idol” to better hold on to God alone in faithful worship. Remember the best love, the basics.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ

Durante la cuaresma te invitamos al rezo del Via Crucis todos los Viernes en la Parroquia. Los Viernes a las 6:30pm en Espanol.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / ANUNCIOS



Retreat for Young Men

Andrew Dinner is an evening of prayer, group sharing, and dinner with Fr. Richard McNeillie, Vocations Director and Diocesan parish priests.
For young men ages 14 - 18.
Optional - parents may attend.
Spring 2024 Dates & Locations

Register here - <https://archgh.swoogo.com/Andrew> or contact the Office of Vocations for any questions
vocations@archgh.org | 713-652-8239

Friday, April 5, 2024
St. Laurence
3100 Sweetwater Blvd
Sugar Land, TX 77479

Friday, March 22, 2024
St. Theresa
705 St Theresa Blvd
Sugar Land, TX 77498

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 March 4, 2024

Time: 6:00-7:00 pm

Where: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church



Questions? Contact:

Ramiro Mondragon

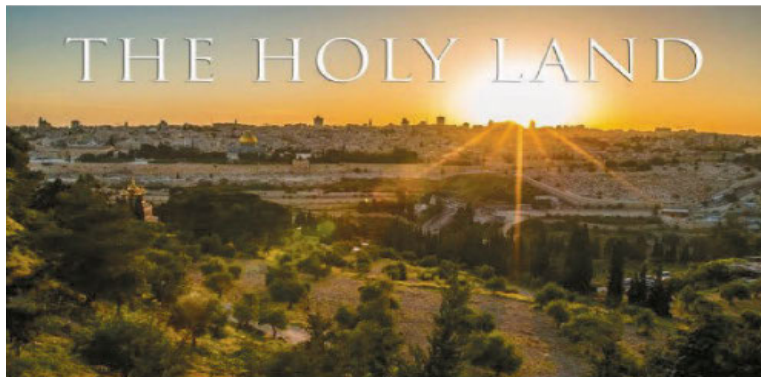
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LORD, hear my prayer; let my cry come to you. Psalm 102:1

Suffering Christians in the Holy Land need our help.

We have the opportunity to make a difference in these troubling times. Please join us in a special Stations of the Cross Sunday afternoon, followed by light refreshments in the hall where George Stephan, who has traveled from Israel, will give a talk on unraveling the spiritual tapestry of scripture with a focus on the gospel of St. John, the fifth gospel and its profound ties to Jesus' life. There will be an opportunity for questions after his talk. George has over 20 years of experience as a tour guide in the Holy Land and has a degree in Biblical History and Biblical Archeology. He will be the tour guide for our pilgrimage later this year, God willing.

Beautifully crafted olive wood items from Israel will be available for purchase, which will support those living among the turmoil in the Holy Land. As tourism is a major source of income, there is a need to alleviate the lack of income for these vendors so that future pilgrims may have the opportunity to benefit from their vast knowledge and experience as they travel in the footsteps of Our Lord.

Place: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 110 E. South St., Alvin, TX 77511

Date: **March 17, 2024**

Time: 2:00 PM Stations of the Cross (outside-weather permitting)

2:30 PM Reception and Talk given by George Stephan.

(Olive wood items will be available for purchase after all Sunday Masses and after his talk.)

For additional information please contact: Lori Candrian at 281-435-9631

DEVOCIONES / DEVOTIONS

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS



If you received Baptism and First Eucharist but did not receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, and you are over the age of 18, our parish is going to offer classes in March and April in English and in Spanish. Sessions will begin on March 19th at 7:00 pm in the Activity Room in English and in the CCE Building in Spanish. Our Archdiocese offers Adult Confirmation celebrations at Pentecost (May 17). Confirmation completes your sacraments of initiation and is required if you want to be a Godparent. For more information, please contact Kathy Bowman: kathybowman37@att.net or Carmen Arreola: lcarmen9@yahoo.com Si recibió el Bautismo y la Primera Eucaristía pero no recibió el Sacramento de la Confirmación y tiene más de 18 años, nuestra parroquia ofrecerá clases en Marzo y Abril en inglés y español. Las sesiones comenzarán el 19 de Marzo a las 7 pm en el Salón de Actividades en inglés y en el Edificio CCE en español. Nuestra Arquidiócesis ofrece celebraciones de Confirmación de Adultos en Pentecostés (17 de Mayo). La Confirmación completa tus sacramentos de iniciación y es necesaria si quieres ser padrino. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Kathy Bowman: kathybowman37@att.net o Carmen Arreola: lcarmen9@yahoo.com



DEVOCIONES 2 de Marzo, 2024

La Sagrada Familia

Familia: Enriquez

Coordinadora: Claudia Ibarra 713-401-7969

Crucifijo de Vocaciones

Familia: Razo-Mendoza

Coordinadora: Flor Castellán 832-729-7678

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Coordinadora: Rosario Ibarra 832-277-7361

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Coordinadora: Esmeralda Olvera 832-336-1731



Pray for Vocations Crucifix Schedule

5:00pm Mar 2 Margie Ortiz

8:00am Mar 3 Mary Magana

10:00am Mar 3 Yvonne Ermis

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Scholarships Applications for scholarships are available in both church offices or by contacting Donna Schaffhausen, CDA Scholarship Chairman, at 281-968-7144 or email to dschaffhausen@gmail.com.

For more scholarship information and details please visit the parish website at <https://www.stjohnalvin.org/>

Becas ofrecidas de las Hijas Católicas de las Américas. Las Aplicaciones para becas están disponibles en ambas oficinas de las iglesias o comunicándose con Donna Schaffhausen, Presidente de Becas por telefono 281-968-7144 o por correo electronico a dschaffhausen@gmail.com. Para mas informacion visite nuestro sitio <https://www.stjohnalvin.org/>



Glory Hour

Wednesday's at 6:30PM

Hora Santa en Espanol

Primer Viernes del Mes

Despues de la

Misa de 7:00PM



The ACTS Core

team is still in need of volunteers. If you have served as an ACTS team member on a retreat, you are eligible to

join the team. The time requirement is minimal (meet once a month). If interested, please contact a Core Team member or attend a meeting. We meet the second Monday of every month. Contact David Costanzo 281-923-2444.

ACTS will hold an English Men's retreat

August 15th—18th.

We are looking for team members.

If you have been a retreatant on a past retreat and would like to be a part of team on this important retreat call or

email: **Steve Weatherford**

713-553-0610

Monthly Youth Mass

1st Sunday of each month at 5pm:

March 3, 2024

April 7, 2024

May 5 - Confirmation Mass @ 8am

HOUSE OF GOD

We continue to find candy wrappers and cookie crumbs in our new pews. In order to keep our church clean, beautiful, and inviting, please refrain from bringing food and drinks into GOD'S HOUSE. It's about respecting the sanctity of the worship place and the Mass. You helped pay for our renovation, please help us take care of it.

CASA DE DIOS

Seguimos encontrando envoltorios de dulces y migas de galletas en nuestros nuevos bancos. Con el fin de mantener nuestra iglesia limpia, hermosa y acogedora, por favor absténgase de traer comida y bebidas a la CASA DE DIOS. Se trata de respetar la santidad del lugar de culto y de la Misa. Usted ayudó a pagar nuestra renovación, por favor ayúdenos a cuidarla.



CHURCH RENOVATIONS 2023

We are still in need of families or ministries to sponsor a pew. We have about 18 pews that need sponsors. Your help is greatly appreciated Other items currently waiting for contributors are:

- Upholstered Wooden Chairs \$200ea.
Pew \$2,800 each**
- (1) Processional Candle \$1,650 ea.**
 - (3) Altar Candle Holders \$750 ea.**

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

Todavía necesitamos familias o ministerios para patrocinar una banca. Solo faltan 18 bancas que se patrocinen. 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.**
- (1) Velas de Procesion \$1,650 c/u.**
 - (3) Portavela para el altar \$750 c/u.**

Llame a la oficina para obtener más detalles al 281-331-3751.



EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY

5pm—7pm

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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 provided.

Contact Mark Lund 281-331-9202



Church Directory Photography

Schedule your appointment today!



Photography Dates

Day Date Time

- April 4 & 5: 2:00pm-8:30pm
- April 6 Saturday 10am-5pm
- May 1 - 3: 2:00pm-8:30pm
- May 4, Saturday 10am-5pm
- May 8 - 10: 2:00pm-8:30pm
- May 11, Saturday 10am-5pm

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Familia de la iglesia: ¡Es hora de un nuevo directorio!

Celebrando la fe. Conectando familias. Compartiendo esperanza.

Nuevos procedimientos de seguridad

Universal está comprometido con la salud y seguridad de las familias de su iglesia y nuestros empleados.

Queremos que sepas que hemos tomado las precauciones necesarias para reducir la propagación del coronavirus.

- Siguiendo las reglas de distancia social de 6 pies a lo largo del proceso de fotografía
- Protección contra gérmenes de plexiglás entre clientes y fotógrafos en la estación de observación
- Todo el equipo será desinfectado entre sesiones
- Utilizar salas de vestíbulo más grandes para la caja fuerte distanciamiento social
- El personal utilizará desinfectante para manos entre sesiones



Evento de Conexiones Familiares

Nuestro directorio de la iglesia no estará completo sin usted. Únase a nosotros y ayude a celebrar la fe y la familia con nuestro nuevo directorio de familias de la iglesia.

- Programe su sesión de fotografía profesional cuando pase por el mesa de inscripción en la iglesia o simplemente conéctese en línea y siga las instrucciones abajo.

Si no vemos su nombre en nuestra lista de citas, recibirá un llamado telefónico invitándole a participar.

- Todos los que sean fotografiados por Universal recibirán un obsequio de cortesía. ¡Retrato de 8 x 10 y un directorio!

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Comité de Directorio

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