



St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 17, 2024 | 5th 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!



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - Jn 12:23-24

El les respondió: "Ha llegado la hora de que el Hijo del hombre sea glorificado. Yo les aseguro que si el grano de trigo, sembrado en la tierra, no muere, queda infecundo; pero si muere, producirá mucho fruto". - Jn 12, 23-24

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Monthly Youth Mass

1st Sunday of the month at 5pm:
April 7, 2024

Misa en Español

Jueves 7:00 PM - Cuaresma
21 y 28 de Marzo, 2024



John Taosan, Pastor

Welcome to Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church

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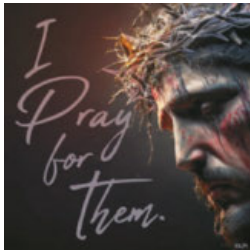
New Parishioners

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
Anne Penner
Nayda Lopez

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.

DSF GOAL \$72,000 Received \$16,737

Balance to meet Goal \$55,263



SATURDAY, SABADO MAR 16

11:30AM † Gerardo Reyna Memorial Mass
2:00PM Miller & Hayden Wedding
5:00PM For the People
7:00PM Guadalupe Sigala

SUNDAY, DOMINGO MAR 17

8:00AM † Lito Berber
10:00AM Melissa Armstrong
12:00PM † Herlinda Hernandez

MONDAY, LUNES MAR 18

8:30AM † Ben Anderson

TUESDAY, MARTES MAR 19

8:30AM † Joaquina Guerrero

WEDNESDAY, MIERCOLES MAR 20

8:30AM † Rosalie Michel

THURSDAY, JUEVES MAR 21

8:30AM † Juana Amaya
7:00PM † Yolanda Vazquez Perez

FRIDAY, VIERNES MAR 22

8:30AM † Audrey George

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offering Collection of:

Mar. 9/10 = \$ 11,039 Caring Hearts = \$3,159

This Weekend's 2nd Collection:

Festival

Next Weekend's Collection:

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MEDITACION / MEDITATION

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVAGELIO

17 de marzo de 2024
5º Domingo de la Cuaresma

Todos, sin duda, durante nuestra vida, llevamos sobre nuestras espaldas diferentes clases de cruces. Enfermedades, problemas económicos, falta de vivienda, status migratorio, por mencionar algunas situaciones. Hoy, la Liturgia nos lleva a ver que Dios no está solamente para resolver problemas inmediatos o de emergencia. Él está presente siempre en cada circunstancia que estemos viviendo. Nuestro deber es buscarlo todos los días. “Ven, Señor, en nuestra ayuda, para que podamos vivir y actuar siempre con aquel amor que impulsó a tu Hijo a entregarse por nosotros” (Oración colecta). Algunas veces tenemos miedo en lo que vivimos, nos sentimos solos y hasta desesperados, no sabemos a quién acudir. ¿Qué hacer?

Jesús nos da prueba de ello en este V Domingo de Cuaresma. «Ahora mi alma está turbada. ¿Y qué diré? “¿Padre, líbrame de esta hora”? ¡Si precisamente he llegado a esta hora para enfrentarme con todo esto! Padre, ¡da gloria a tu Nombre! Entonces se oyó una voz que venía del cielo: “Lo he glorificado y lo volveré a glorificar”» (Juan 12, 27-28). ¿De qué forma damos gloria a Dios? ¿Cómo nos libramos de los momentos de soledad e incertidumbre? Es bueno tener un plan para afrontar con valentía como Jesús lo hizo en su tiempo. ¡Acudió a su Padre del cielo! Con su Muerte y Resurrección, Jesús afirma el Reino del amor. Llevando nuestra cruz diaria con dignidad, también afirmamos ese reino de unidad y paz que tanto necesitamos. ¡Que nadie Señor haga callar la victoria de tu Cruz, que es mi Victoria. ^{lpi}

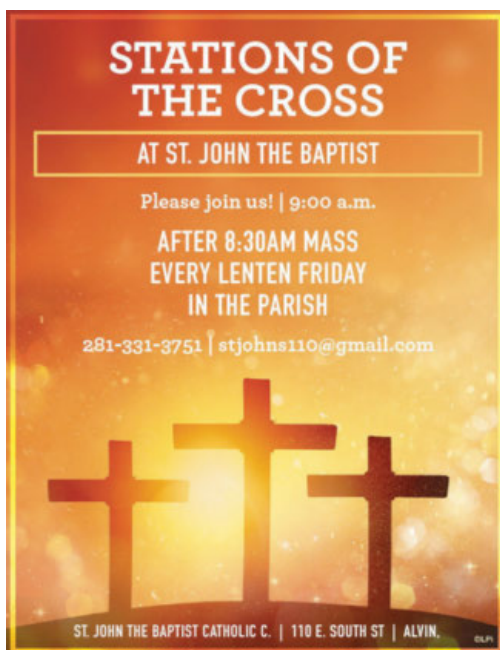
GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 17, 2024
5th Sunday of Lent

A middle-aged woman sat on the couch in my parish office and recounted to me a shocking list of terrible calamities in her life: addictions, terminal illnesses, financial loss, broken relationships, and so on. She smiled as she did so. “Please forgive me,” I asked, “but you seem to be smiling as you share this.” She said, “Father John, I am totally overwhelmed. But I’m smiling because I just can’t wait to see what good things God does with this mess.” She expected God would manifest His glory when she most needed it.

This week in the Gospel, God speaks from heaven for the third and final time in Jesus’ earthly ministry. It’s at a tough moment. Gentiles seek Jesus, who announces his terrible suffering, and then boldly prays, “Father, glorify your name!” John then writes: Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it and will glorify it again.” Was the task of drawing the whole non-Jewish world to himself overwhelming? Or was it the terrible specter of crucifixion? Whatever it was, the crushing weight triggers his turning to the Father with an unshakeable expectation of divine glory to burst through. And indeed, it did on Easter Sunday. In our burdens, our greatest strength is to turn to God and boldly ask Him for His glory.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to list out everything which is a burden to you. Write it down. Then add these words: “Father, glorify Your name in all these things!” Put that paper in your pocket or purse when you come to Holy Week liturgies next week. You might smile at the most unlikely times.— Father John Muir LPI



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AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
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EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY
IN THE PARISH
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Durante la cuaresma te invitamos al rezo del Via Crucis todos los Viernes en la Parroquia. Los Viernes a las 6:30pm en Español.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
110 SOUTH ST. ALVIN, TX 77511
LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS
(Bilingual)
Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, for this purpose I have come to this hour.
John 12:27
Friday
March 29, 2024
Begins at 1:00pm outside the parish
IF IT RAINS, WE WILL BE INSIDE THE PARISH.
Immediately after ending we will head to the parish to celebrate the passion of the Lord @3:00pm

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 April 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



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
110 SOUTH ST. ALVIN, TX 77511

ESTACIONES DE LA CRUZ EN VIVO

(Bilingüe)

Ahora mi Alma está turbada. ¿Díre acaso: Padre, librame de esta hora? ¡Si precisamente he llegado a esta hora para enfrentarme con todo esto!
-Juan 12:27

Si llueve, estaremos adentro de la iglesia.

Viernes 29 de Marzo 2024
Comienza a la 1:00pm afuera de la parroquia

Inmediatamente terminando nos iremos adentro de la parroquia para la celebración de la Pasión del Señor @3:00pm



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 16 de Marzo, 2024

La Sagrada Familia

Familia: Ibarra

Coordinadora: Claudia Ibarra 713-401-7969

Crucifijo de Vocaciones

Familia: Bautista

Coordinadora: Flor Castellán 832-729-7678

Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia

Familia: Ibarra-García

Coordinadora: Rosario Ibarra 832-277-7361

Rosario a la Virgen de Guadalupe

Familia: Mendoza

Coordinadora: Esmeralda Olvera 832-336-1731



Pray for Vocations Crucifix Schedule

5:00pm Mar 16 Marina Rios

8:00am Mar 17 Janire Garcia

10:00am Mar 17 Paul & Jeanette Reed

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 teléfono 281-968-7144 o por correo electrónico a dschaffhausen@gmail.com. Para más información visite nuestro sitio <https://www.stjohnalvin.org/>



Glory Hour

Wednesday's at 6:30PM

Hora Santa en Español

Primer Viernes del Mes

Después 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

nevsus28@gmail.com

Meetings will begin on Sunday, April 28 at 4pm.

Monthly Youth Mass

1st Sunday of each month at 5pm:

April 7, 2024

May 5 - Confirmation Mass @ 8am

Relic of **St. Jude Thaddeus** to visit Archdiocese
The arm of St. Jude Thaddeus, venerated in Rome
from ancient times, is on pilgrimage in the United
States will be at five parishes in the Houston area this
March:

Monday, March 18

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 7801 Bay Branch Dr.,
The Woodlands, TX 77382

- Public veneration of Saint Jude Relics begins at 2 p.m.
- Special Mass celebrated in Saint Jude's honor at 7 p.m.
- Public veneration ends at 10 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19

St. Theresa Catholic Church, 705 St. Theresa Blvd., Sugar
Land, TX 77498

- Public veneration of Saint Jude Relics begins at 2 p.m.
- Special Mass celebrated in Saint Jude's honor at 7 p.m.
- Public veneration ends at 10 p.m.

For more information about the tour, the relic and the history, visit
ApostleoftheImpossible.com or learn more from Fr. Carlos Mar-
tins: Youtube



EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY

5pm—7pm

129 CR146 ALVIN, TEXAS 77511
On HWY 6



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.



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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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