

### VETERANS DAY: REMEMBER THEM...



WE honor the military veterans of the United States Armed Forces, both living and dead, who served in any wars, past or present. We remember especially those who gave their lives for the cause of our country. The veterans fought for our freedoms and risked their lives to secure and protect the rights we enjoy. Along with the saints who courageously fought the battle of faith and freedom in Christ, we show our gratitude.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY & FAMILY FEAST



The parish and finance councils are inviting parishioners to join a special celebration this year of the feast of our patron saint, St. John the Evangelist. The feast falls on December 27th. It will be a Wednesday in the Octave of Christmas. We will have Mass at 5:30pm followed by a grand reception at the parish hall. A sign-up sheet will be placed at the Church entrance for families to sign up, so we may know how much food to order for the event. Other activities for the day are being worked on.

### COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



The month of November is the month when Catholics remember and pray for our departed relatives and friends and all the souls in purgatory. We continue to draw our attention to the need to offer Masses for the purification of these holy souls that they may pass over to the glory of heaven joining the company of the saints who see the face of God. Please use the Mass offering envelopes at the back of the Church to book Mass(es) for loved ones who have departed. List all the names you are praying for on the envelop or use a separate sheet to do so and insert inside the envelop. We will have all the names at the altar all through November and offer Masses for them.

### ORDER YOUR SHIRT FOR THE COMING FEAST



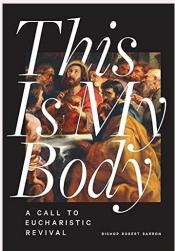
We have an order-sheet at the foyer of the Church for parish families to order shirts for Christmas and the celebration of our parish feast day come December 27th this year. You may order some for your children living out of town or for a friend or acquaintance. The cost is \$25 for kids and youth, and 30 for the adult sizes. You can also call the parish office to place your order on or before November 30th.

## GARAGE/BAKE SALES



The Knights of Columbus and the Lady's Guild of the parish will hold their annual Garage/Bake Sales on Friday/Saturday December 1st and 2nd at the basement of the parish hall beginning at 8:00am. Call Al Ross (405-245-3226) or Philip Stizza (918-429-3453) to drop off your donation items for the garage sale. Items for bake sale can be dropped off on November 30th between 3:00 and 7:00pm. Call Reta Descher (918-424-0492) or Regina Edwards (918-429-4976) to help with baked goods drop off.

## "THIS IS MY BODY" by Bishop Robert Barron



A generous parish family has purchased copies of the book, *This is My Body*, by Bishop Robert Barron to help us with our spiritual journey during this *Eucharistic Revival*. The book provides practical guides for us to enhance our devotion to the Eucharist as well as invite others to the Eucharistic banquet. Please feel free to take a copy at the back of the Church (one for each family). We pray God's blessings on this benefactor.

## WHY DO YOU NOT RECEIVE THE EUCHARISTIC?



Eucharistic Revival as currently espoused involves welcoming parishioners who for reason(s) of irregular marriage or other conditions are unable to partake of the Eucharistic. We encourage all who currently are not partaking of the Eucharist to visit with Fr. Jo to discuss ways to remedy the situation. No condition is irredeemable. You may be surprised how easily some of the situations can be resolved. If you know of anyone who has stopped coming to Mass due to inability to share in the Eucharist, please invite them to talk to the parish priest about that. No member of Christ's body should be deprived of this saving food.

## NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS, 2024



The National Eucharistic Congress taking place in Indianapolis, from July 17–21, 2024 will be a transformative moment for the Church in the USA. It will be the high point of the Eucharistic Revival. You can be part of this historic event, as Catholics from around the country gather for this weeklong grace-filled event. If you're interested in attending, call the office or talk to our parish point person, Kelly Drusen, for details.





### THURSDAY FAITH ENRICHMENT MEETINGS

Our Thursday Faith Enrichment will hold this coming Thursday, November 16th with a continuation of our discussion on **End-time Prophecies, Predictions and Preparations**. We will skip the week of Thanksgiving and continue the following Thursday, November 30th. We meet at the parish hall between 6:30 and 8:30pm.

### UPDATE ON HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE, October 2024



Due to the ongoing war in Israel and Palestine, we have put on hold plans for pilgrimage to the Holy Land next year, as we assess the security situation. We will be informed in due course about our next possible option: visit to another pilgrimage site, or entirely cancel the idea.