



## St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

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Masses: Sat., 5:00pm (English) & Sun., 10:00am (English)

*Confessions by Appointment*

Office Hours: Mon., Wed. & Fri., 9:00am - 1:00pm

Tues. & Thurs., 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Rectory (Fr. David's Home):

3323 86th Street, Lubbock, TX 79423

### January 24, 2016

*Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

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#### MASS INTENTION:

*Saturday, January 23rd:*  
Mass for the people

*Sunday, January 24th:*  
For the Protection of the Unborn

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#### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm:

Your Words, Lord are Spirit and  
Life. (Psalm 19: 8-10, 15)

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel Acclamation:

The Lord sent me to bring  
glad tidings to the poor,  
and to proclaim liberty  
to the captives.  
(CF. Luke 4:18)

Gospel:

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

#### LENTEN RETREAT

Saturday, February 27th  
10am - 2:30pm at SJTB

We invite you to join us for a  
Lenten Retreat given by Fr. David  
Cruz & Ann Krier. Set aside a few  
hours to make your Lenten  
experience more meaningful.  
Please call or email the parish  
office to RSVP by Monday,  
February 22nd.

#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Wednesday, February 10th  
5:00pm & 7:00pm

Please join us as we begin our  
Lenten season with two  
evening Masses.

#### YOUTH SKATING EVENT

**Who:** SJTB Middle & High School  
Students

**What:** Skating

**When:** Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>  
3:00pm-5:00pm

**Where:** Adventures USA  
3305 116<sup>th</sup> Street

**RSVP to Heather Marrs**  
Phone: 806-790-9016

#### BELIVING IN JESUS

Every Monday at 7:00pm  
February 1st—April 18th

For anyone interested in  
learning more about the Catholic  
faith or receiving the sacraments,  
you are invited to participate in  
this preparation program. Please  
visit the parish office or fill out a  
form after Mass to register.

#### INFORMATION MEETING

Saturday, January 30th  
at 2:00pm at the Parish

We invite you to join us for this  
meeting where Fr. David Cruz will  
present future plans for the parish  
on 108th & Indiana.

*The Knights of Columbus have  
asked us to include the following:*

**Thank you to all parishioners for  
your prayers and donations for the  
unborn life. Due to your generosity  
we will be able to support the  
Nurturing Center with \$592.37**



## PRAYER INTENTION LIST

Week of January 17, 2016

### Healing & Good Health

-Juan Contreras -Jakob Neuber  
-Maxine Abeyta -Eloisa Landin  
-Nancy Sanchez -Andrea Garcia  
-Martha Oyervidez -Johnny Ortiz  
-Belle Reyes -Rick Jimenez  
-Yajayra Marin -Sylvia Ortiz  
-Corina Escamilla -Angie Piña  
-Irene Casarez -Jason Mata  
-Ashley Salazar -Mary Salazar  
-Joe Porras -Joe Gomez  
-Mary Alonzo -Michael D. Reyna  
-Liz Perez -Ben Ybañez  
-Larry McCall -Eva Laque

### General

-Adrian Jimenez -Ruiz Family  
-Walz Family -Bosley Family  
-Brunet Family -Miles Family  
-Joseph Contreras -Nikool Bosley  
-Letty Rodriguez -Salas Family  
-Gonzalez Family

### Eternal Rest

-Guy Bosley -Martin Casarez  
-Ruth Bosley  
-All the faithful departed +

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes for weekly donations are available in the Parish Office

## LENT IS ABOUT GIVING NOT GIVING UP

### Choose a better Lent:

Three 1-hour evenings to experience 7 ways of praying

WHEN: 3 Thursday evenings  
Jan. 28, Feb. 4, and Feb. 11

TIME: 7-8pm in Hanly Hall  
St. Elizabeth's Parish  
2305 Main Street

Repeated session at 8:15pm for those who cannot make the 7-8pm time. For more info., please call 806-762-5225.

Dear Friends of St. John the Baptist,

Last week, we began what will become a four-part series of reflections offered by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on how to put certain acts of mercy into practice in light of the Year of Mercy. This week, let us focus on the remaining Spiritual Works of Mercy, and how we can incorporate them into our daily lives.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. David

### ***Spiritual Works of Mercy (Cont.)***

#### Comforting the Sorrowful

Be open to listening and comforting those who are dealing with grief. Even if we aren't sure of the right words to say, our presence can make a big difference.

- Lend a listening ear to those going through a tough time
- Make a home-cooked meal for someone facing difficulties
- Write a letter or send a card to someone who is suffering

#### Forgiving Injuries

Forgiving others is difficult at times because we do not have God's limitless mercy and compassion. But Jesus teaches us that we should forgive as God forgives, relying on him to help us show others the mercy of God.

- Let go of grudges
- Participate in the Sacrament of Penance
- Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

#### Bearing Wrongs Patiently

Do not be bitter about wrongs done against you. Place your hope in God so that you can endure the troubles of this world and face them with a compassionate spirit.

- Frustrated with someone? Step away from the situation, take a few deep breaths, pray the Our Father, and ask God for patience.

#### Praying for the Living and the Dead

Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God's care.

- Request a mass intention for a friend or family member who is going through a tough time
- Request a mass intention for a friend or family member who has passed away
- Keep your own book of prayer intentions, writing down the names of those who you are keeping in your prayers
- Ask a friend or family member if there is anything you can pray for them about