

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

June 23 – 24, 2018



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18;
Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36;
Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3;
Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8, 9;
Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9;
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19;
Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24;
Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43

Budget to Actual

Weekly goal	\$ 25,900.00
Week of 06/17/2018	23,295.05
Keep Praying!!!	\$ - 2,604.95

****TREASURE STEWARDSHIP****

06/17/2018

Envelope Receipts	\$ 11,294.00
Online Giving	9,415.75
Loose Plate	2,585.30
Total	\$ 23,295.05

Catholic Charities Collection	
06/17/2018	\$ 1,400.00

Church Expansion

Total Pledged	\$ 3,488,938.38
Collection week of 06/17	3,782.00
Online giving week 06/17	3,454.77
Total Given to Date	\$ 3,148,497.79

May God bless you for your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS

"Mass is Heaven on Earth" – St. John Paul II

SATURDAY, JUNE 23: Nativity of St. John the Baptist

4-4:45 pm Confessions
5:00 pm +Bill Joyce, by Josie & Adan Mediano

SUNDAY, JUNE 24: Nativity of St. John the Baptist

9:00 am Lisa Ruiz (Health), by Her Mom
11:30 am Thanksgiving, by Mary Spencer
5:00 pm +Dulces Armendariz, by Wife & Family

MONDAY, JUNE 25: 12TH Ordinary Week

6:30 am +Matilde Rangel, by Ramirez Family

TUESDAY, JUNE 26: 12TH Ordinary Week

6:30 am For the People of St. Elizabeth's

WED'DAY, JUNE 27: St. Cyril of Alexandria

6:30 am Family Members/Living & Deceased, by Ann P. Lustgarten

THURSDAY, JUNE 28: St. Irenaeus, Bishop

6:30 am +Jose Gutierrez, by Graciela Chapa

FRIDAY, JUNE 29: Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

6:30 am +Matilde Rangel, by Rangel Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 30: 13TH Ordinary Sunday

4-4:45 pm Confessions
5:00 pm +Alonzo Molinar, by Wife & Family

SUNDAY, JULY 1: 13TH Ordinary Sunday

9:00 am Friends/Family, Living/Deceased of Dan & Margaret Carpenter
11:30 am +Roberto Rodriguez, by Eddie Rodriguez & Wife

If a Mass you requested for a specific date does not appear, please notify the office 367-4657 as soon as possible.

WELCOME CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

Fr. Paul Farin is here speaking at all Masses about the work of Cross Catholic Outreach. Cross Catholic reaches out to priests and nuns working in the churches in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

HONORING MARRIED COUPLES

During the coming year, St. Elizabeth's will honor married couples with a special blessing. On the 4th Sunday of each month, couples celebrating their church wedding anniversary that month will be blessed. Today we bless all those couples married in JUNE. Stay tuned for more announcements.

Confraternity of the Brown Scapular

The next meeting will be Sunday, July 8 at 10:10 in the chapel. We are planning a special Mass on Monday, July 16 (Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel) where those wishing to use the Brown Scapular will be invested in it.

PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Our Parish Council membership is currently open to anyone who wishes to attend the meetings on a regular basis. Eventually we will become more formal. Nevertheless, please consider joining. We meet today -- Sunday, June 24 at 10:10 in the chapel.

Catholic Charities Report

Work should begin soon on repairing the store. The first priority of Catholic Charities is getting the store reopen. Volunteers will be needed until the store gets up and running. For more information, call 332-1387! Thank you!

Sister Christina First Profession of Vows

Christina Chavez, daughter of our parishioners Felix & Noemi Chavez, will make her first profession of vows as a member of the Sisters of Divine Providence (CDPs), in San Antonio on June 30, 2018. Congratulations!

Hope for the Homeless

Our altar servers and youth group will be co-hosting August's Hope for the Homeless. They would like to put together care packages and are asking for your help in donating items to put the care packages together. Items needed are travel sized bottles of shampoo/conditioner, socks, deodorant, toothbrush/toothpaste, hand lotion, feminine products, dental floss, granola bars, fruit snacks, crackers with peanut butter or cheese, water bottles, hand wipes/ sanitizer, Lifesavers, sugar free gum, and Chapstick.

JOHN THE BAPTIST

Since June 24 falls on a Sunday this year, the Church has the opportunity for a more intense celebration of the birth of John the Baptist, who is often described as the last of the Old Testament prophets and the bridge between Judaism and Christianity. More commonly, John is known as the "precursor" of our Lord Jesus Christ. All the Gospels report John's basic message: Repent, the kingdom is near at hand. One greater than I is coming.

Though he was a wandering preacher who dressed in camel skins and ate grasshoppers, John's legacy is one of true royalty. His origins are similar to those foretold by God through the prophet Isaiah: "You are my servant, he said to me, Israel through whom I show my glory" (Isaiah 49:3). John's humility—"I am not he"—was surpassed only by that of his Lord Jesus, the humble servant who followed.

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DECEIT—Jean Jacques Rousseau

Reason deceives us; conscience, never.

Pope's June Intention

Universal: Social Networks

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

BAPTISM

PREP CLASS-Our next baptism preparation class is Saturday, July 7 @ 9 am. **You must call to register for this class.** Please call after June 21. If there is no answer, dial 21 for Vickie's ext. and leave a message.

To Schedule a Baptism-In order to baptize at St. Elizabeth's, the parents of the child should be registered members of St. Elizabeth's, or live within our boundaries. Parents please come to the office to schedule your child's baptism. You will need to bring in the baby's birth certificate, **from the county**, the godparents' confirmation certificates, if the godparents are married, a copy of their church marriage certificate and proof of Baptism prep classes for parents and godparents.

We do baptisms the 1ST, 2ND and 3RD weekends of each month. Baptisms held on the 3RD weekend will be in **Spanish, if requested**. The first person to come into the office with all necessary paperwork to register for a weekend will get to pick which day, Saturday or Sunday, for **all** baptisms that weekend. You must register in the office, before the date of your child's baptism and you must have all paperwork!

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Do you want an opportunity to read and discuss the Sunday scripture readings? Join us Sunday mornings from 10:10 – 11:20 in the Brides room, next to the kitchenette. This is open to everyone.

Memoriam

We remember deceased parishioners who died in the month of June in years past.

John Baca	1	T.M. Whiteley	16
Steven Soto, Jr.	1	Dulces Calderon	17
John James Pepper	2	James Rauscher	17
Ajacia Mancha	2	Robert Hernandez	17
Bricky Rodriguez	3	Robert Rivera	17
Catherine Phyllis Mudd	4	Cindy Sue Davis	22
Efren Holquin	4	Baby Boy Knoche	23
Manuel Aragon	6	Alan Paschal	24
Nicole Baesa	9	Margarita Rodriguez	24
MaryJo O'Bannon	9	George Orosco	25
Preciliano Lujan	12	Velma Pando	26
Heather Connally	13	Veronica Crist	29
George W. Carter	14	Roberto Cepero	30
Peggy Wallace	15	Margarito Vasquez	30

Quinceanera Guidelines

Parents must be registered and contributing and their daughter must have attended CCD for 2 years prior to the ceremony.

Question of the Week

Have you ever thought you were “Glorious” in the sight of the Lord?

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Please keep our **overseas** service men and women in your prayers, especially the following who have relatives in our parish!

Stephen Gilson	Brandon Ritz
Zachary Hamilton	Sean Ernst
Ian Davis	Dallas Ryan Luera
Jason Tyler Pope	Tony La
Adam Arellano	Matthew Cagle
Eric Huki	Samuel Urias
Khiry Gallegos	Mario Montoya
Douglas M. Hicks	Mark McComick, Jr.
Joshua Lambert	Andres Contreras
Christopher Clemenza	
Mateo Soto	Paul Porras
Jeremy Jimenez	

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's midsummer day! We have the advantage of celebrating one of the great hidden treasures of our liturgical calendar on a Sunday this year. There are only three “nativity” feasts on our calendar: for the Lord, the Blessed Mother (September 8), and today's birth of the Baptist. Today's date is anchored by the Annunciation (March 25), when Mary learns not only of her own child's advent, but of Elizabeth's child. We are exactly half a year away from Christmas Eve. There are strong traditions around this feast. Just as the winter solstice provides a rich vocabulary for Christmas, so does the abundance of light at midsummer inform this celebration. Just as at Christmas, a religious festival spills over into culture. As summer light reaches its peak, the sun-drenched zones of northern Europe see people staying up all night, lighting “St. John's fires” in the long summer twilight. Bonfires seem to be the unifying force in all these celebrations, kindled along the shores of the St. Lawrence in Quebec and Montreal, with harbor illuminations in France. You may be most interested in the custom in San Juan, Puerto Rico, the Baptist's own city. People there will leap into the sea between midnight and dawn to honor John. Why not find your way to a pool, a lake, or a sandy beach today and plunge in to recall your baptism? It's a tradition!

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Elementary CCD

June News

2018-2019 REGISTRATION

We have started registering for next year! Come in during regular office hours, or our special hours on Wednesday's until 6pm and Friday's from 2-4pm.

Returning students – a parent needs to come in and sign permission form and pay fees.

New students – a parent needs to bring in baptism certificate, fill out registration form, and sign permission form (registration forms are online).

Fees:

\$25 per child

Those receiving a sacrament in the upcoming year will pay an additional \$10 book fee

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

WOMEN

Women's bible will begin again in the fall. Watch for announcements in Sept.

ENGLISH DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY

Our bible study has taken a break for the summer and will resume in the fall. Watch here for details.

SPANISH

Los Pequeños Hijos de Maria

Monday: Spanish Bible Study 7 – 9 pm in the classrooms.

Thursday: Rosary and Prayer 6 – 9 pm.

Los Angeles de Cristo Grupo de Oracion

Friday: Spanish Bible Study 7 – 9 pm in the Youth Building. Contact Pilar or Romelia Ornelas 362-4610.

ST. MARY CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Summer Hours: M – Thu. 9-1 The front office entrance is closed due to construction. Use the alley entrance between the church and the school. Any questions call 432-337-6052 or 438-2127.

2 Job Openings:

Part Time Middle School Choir Instructor
Substitute Teacher

Enrollment: Room available in Pre-Kinder 3 & 4 year olds and Kinder, 3, 4, 5. Middle School is full.

Sirius XM Channel 129

#bearsarefast

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

June 24 – Mary Parker, Alyssa Lopez, Ruben Sanchez, Amy Perry, Juan Aleman, Beverly Johnson, Jacob Ramirez, Jocelyn Janssen, Daniela Casillas, Mario Saucedo, Emily Sotelo, Steven Martinez, Julieta Ramirez, Timothy Avila, Viviana Pando, Gianni Olivas, Lisa Samarraipa, Jamie Olivas

June 25 –Madison Armenta, Noah Martinez, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Elda Rivera, Jesiah Salazar, Laura Torres, Armida Ramirez, Jose Fuentes Sr., Ivana Manriquez, Leliosa Tolentino, Rick Gipson, Noah Schreck, Tori Vaughn, Madelyn Garza, Josiah Perez, Saydee Campos

June 26 - June Watkins, Bella Hernandez, Brody Fisher, Silvia Lucio, Jessica Richards, Itzel McKown, Krista Quiroz, Isaiah Vasquez, Richard Trevino, Hogan Elder, Caytlynn Tutt, Valerie Alvarado, Karlo Franco, Kellan Poindexter, Candy Wilkerson, Abram Suchil

June 27 – Raul Rojo, Richard Duncan, Jesus Lopez, Kennedy Vasquez, Patricia Inting, Josie Moreno, Emma Acosta, Arlene Rodriguez, Amie Rivera, Noelia Soto, Erica Gonzalez, Elauterio Garcia, Violeta Bello, Vanessa Cenicerros, Ian Muniz, Mercedes Cruz, JoAnn Serrano

June 28 – Elijah Duckworth, Pat Kennedy, Adrian Torres, Manuel Luevano, Marina Ybarra, Sabrehna Everett, Debra Brazell, Karina Ligon, Luis Falcon, Cynthia Garcia, Julie Patino

June 29 – Mikayla Rincon, Manuel Valencia, Elise DeLaRosa, Pedro Ramirez, Clay Rodriguez, Omar Mendez, David Stark, Norma Pepper, Mia Abila, Maria Ybarra, Domonique Sanchez, Valeria Rios, Gabriel Brorman, Mario Garcia, Bonnie Flores, Sierra Britton, Bryson Palomares, Buzzy Abalos, Yewdiel Venzor

June 30 - Rita Abila, Connie Kennedy, Andrew Hernandez, Denise Olague, Anna White, Pat Garcia, Veronica Lozano, Kristina Paulsen, Mario Argueta, Mickey Branch



Please pray for:

Lois Chorney, Donovan Crawley, Dan Carpenter, Joe Villarreal, Roberto Serrato, Juan Davila, Lupe Munguia, Ruben Jimenez, Blas Campos Sr., Michael Christesson, Bebe Kerr, Artie Everett, Olga Leyva, Maria Levario.

Prayer Chain

If you are in need of prayers or would like to be a prayer warrior with Deacon Gary Brooks and others in the community, please contact him at gbrooks@sanangelodiocese.org.



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HOW BRIGHT IS YOUR LIGHT?

Our parish is growing in size and activities. As such, we need more volunteers to help spread the word of God. Please commit to helping the people of your community and yourself by volunteering in one of these ministries.

- Religious Ed teachers and aides
- First Communion teachers and aides
- Quinceanera class teacher
- RCIA team member
- Youth Group leaders and chaperones
- Youth Confirmation leaders/teachers
- Steubenville chaperones
- Marriage Retreat team
- Baptism Prep class teacher
- Choir member
- Cantor
- Bell Choir member
- Hospital and Homebound Minister
- Eucharistic Minister
- Lector
- Ushers at all Masses (Sat. & Sun.)
- Marriage Retreat team member
- Altar server
- Altar linen laundering group
- Catholic Charities Volunteer

Call the office (367-4657) for more information.

To help us share our time and talents with our church community we have these opportunities to enrich our faith.

- Rosary Group
- ACTS
- Men's Bible Study
- Women's Bible Study
- Spanish Prayer Groups
- Knights of Columbus
- Adoration

Corinthians 12:7-11 A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.

What is your gift?

Are you helping others?