

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH • NEW TAITON
DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS**

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**Week of
March 29, 2020**

Today is
Fifth Sunday
of Lent.

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. **Sunday:** 7:00 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.
Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 7:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

~ PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION ~

Sacrament of Baptism: If you are in need of a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office at (979) 543-6985.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples planning marriage should contact the Parish Office six months prior to the desired date at (979) 543-6985.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound: If a family member is sick and would like to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office at (979) 543-6985.

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. John's Church. Please fill out our census form located at the main entrance and return to the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions for this Week:

Monday, 03/30	No Mass	
Tuesday, 03/31	7:00 a.m.	Rosalie Krpec †
Wednesday, 04/01	7:00 a.m.	Frank Hobizal †
Thursday, 04/02	7:00 a.m.	Robert Lee & Leon Robert Wishert †
Friday, 04/03	7:00 a.m.	Special Intention - Carson Crosby & Cindy JuneK - healing (1st Friday)
Saturday, 04/04	4:00 p.m.	Parish Family Mary Greer † Oliver & Bernice Wishert †
Sunday, 04/05	7:00 a.m.	Francis "Bitty" Stock †
	8:30 a.m.	Jerome Dorotik †

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Mason Bystrek, Jackson Bystrek, Carson Bystrek, Hudson Bystrek
Lector: Karen Zapalac
Ushers: Donald Buzek, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Jon Bystrek, Sandi Bystrek
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Luc Marcaurele, Jackson Merck, Simone Riha
Lector: Jean Merck
Ushers: Ronnie Gold, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Becky Dluhos, Karen Zapalac
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Offertory Collection

Loose: -
Envelopes: -
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BULLETIN SPONSOR this week is the St. John's Altar Society.

SANCTUARY LIGHT this week is for the deceased members of the Altar Society.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be in the home of Karen Zapalac for the months of March & April.

CRUCIFIX AND PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS will be in the home of Robert & Connie Hlavaty for the months of March & April. Please pray for vocations.

PRAYER THIS WEEK: Loving God, help us follow the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary in willingly giving ourselves in service to your church. Stir up the grace of priestly and religious vocations in the hearts of many within our community and send your Spirit to guide and strengthen them in answering your call. Amen. Bishop Robert J. Carlson

APRIL ALTAR DECORATORS: Betty Ann Supak, Lorrie Gander, Rose Supak, Linda Supak, Leona Bubela, Ellen Bubela, Kathy Riha, Dorothy Pryor, Janet Novak, Beverly Hensley and Kimberly Cerny. Your offering is due.

APRIL FLOWERS FOR MSGR. PETRU'S GRAVE: Brian & Diane Seaman

No CCD CLASSES on Wednesday.

No CHOIR PRACTICE on Wednesday.

ATTENTION SENIORS! Scholarship applications for the St. John's Games Party are available at the Parish Office or at www.ecisd.org. Applications are now due in the Parish Office by April 20th.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING scheduled for Monday, April 6th has been cancelled in following the guidelines of the Diocese of Victoria.

ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER AND SPRING FESTIVAL: Our gross amount is \$45,605.57 and our net is \$34,036.85 with donations still coming in. We sold 1341 plates. A detailed report will be published later.

FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE: Our parish now has a Facebook page and a website. You can find us on Facebook at [St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church - New Taiton](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnNepomuceneCatholicChurchNewTaiton) and our website at newtaitoncatholic.org.

Meditation for the Week

As we enter this final week before Holy Week the narrative of Jesus' life on earth builds to a climax. In the Gospels of the last two weeks, Jesus gave water to those who thirsted and light to those who could not see. Water and light are essentials of life. Today we hear Jesus giving life itself to someone who has died. The giver of water and light is also the giver of life itself. Let us thank God for the gift of our Savior as we prepare for the final two weeks of Lent. (Pastoral Patterns)

Ezekiel 37:12-14 The Lord says: I will open your graves.

Psalm 130 "With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption."

Romans 8:8-11 The life-giving Spirit dwells in us.

John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, The Lord says: Lazarus, come out! 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Ezekiel shares a radical vision of Israel's future: God will burst open graves, reanimate the dead, and restore them to their land. Jesus puts such a plan into action, opening the tomb of Lazarus, bringing him back to life, and restoring him to his family. Paul assures us that with the Spirit within us, our mortal bodies will have life as well. Listening to scripture, let us reflect on how God's redeeming grace raises us up from our sin and despair. (Pastoral Patterns)