

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH • NEW TAITON
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**Week of
May 3, 2020**

Today is
Fourth Sunday
of Easter.

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, 05/04	No Mass
Tuesday, 05/05	7:00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving - Beneficial Rain
Wednesday, 05/06	7:00 a.m. Special Intention - Chopper Kahanek - healing
Thursday, 05/07	7:00 a.m. Joy King †
Friday, 05/08	7:00 a.m. Grace Larson †
Saturday, 05/09	4:00 p.m. Eugene Bubela, Sr. William E. Merta †
	6:00 p.m. Parish Family
Sunday, 05/10	7:00 a.m. Special Intention - Mark & Betty Ann Supak 40 th Wedding Anniversary
	8:30 a.m. Living & deceased Mothers

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Luc Marcaurele, Jackson Merck, Simone Riha
Lectors: Allison Fucik
Ushers: Lawrence Labay, Jr., Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Keith Kresta, Lori Tupa
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Andrew Kresta, Lauren Kresta, Emily Kresta, Miranda Yackel
Lector: Susan Nohavitza
Ushers: John Merck, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Robert Hlavaty, Connie Hlavaty
Rosary prayed before Mass.

BULLETIN SPONSORS this week are Brad & Lori Tupa.

SANCTUARY LIGHT this week is for the Intentions of Ronald & Margaret Leopold.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be in the home of Robert & Connie Hlavaty for the months of May & June.

CRUCIFIX AND PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS will be in the home of Karen Zapalac for the months of May & June. 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

MAY ALTAR DECORATORS: Karen Kaspar, Georgia Dorotik, Regina Kaspar, Donna Kaspar, Lenice Kaspar, Jean Merck, Wanda Dorotik, Jeanine Stehling, Amanda Dorotik, Vanessa Rod, Cheryl Roach, Becky Hardin, Tiffany Riha and Ashley Koudela. Your offering is due.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING on Monday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall. This is the last meeting until September.

2020 SCHEDULES for Bulletin Sponsor, Sanctuary Light, Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, Crucifix and Prayer for Vocations and Flowers for Monsignor Petru's Grave can be found in the notebook located at the main entrance. Bulletin Sponsor and Sanctuary Light are \$5.00 each.

A SPECIAL MASS FOR OUR LIVING AND DECEASED MOTHERS will be held next Sunday at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. There are special envelopes that will be handed out by the Ushers if you want them. A Spiritual Bouquet envelope to be returned to the Church and A Mother's Day Blessing card and envelope that can be given to your Mother to let her know she is being remembered in this special Mass. Spiritual Bouquet envelopes can be brought to the Parish Office.

Weekly Church support can be dropped off at the Parish Office, dropped in the Drop Box at the Parish Office, mailed to St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, 1843 CR 469 Rd., El Campo, TX 77437 or left in the Church before 12 noon on Sunday. Thank you and God Bless.

Meditation for the Week

Picture a lush meadow with a large flock of sheep enjoying the fresh air and sunshine. This first Sunday in May, situated right in the middle of spring, may lend itself to such daydreams. But this is no daydream, for we indeed are part of a flock with a devoted shepherd, one who calls us each by name and invites us to have life and have it more abundantly. Let us join together today in joy and gratitude. (Pastoral Patterns)

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 The promise is made to all.

Psalms 23 "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

1 Peter 2:20b-25 Jesus bore our sins upon the cross.

John 10:1-10 Jesus is the gate for the sheep.

The image of sheep dominates the readings today. The early church was just a fledgling flock when Peter's testimony inspired thousands to "repent and be baptized." Later, Peter commends the sheep for returning to the care of the shepherd after they had gone astray. In the Gospel, Jesus begins the story of the Good Shepherd. "The sheep hear his voice," he says, and follow him. Let us listen for his voice in today's readings. (Pastoral Patterns)

**New tentative Mass schedule for
St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church**

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Sunday - 7:00 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.

For those who are unable to attend any of these Masses, we will be live streaming on Facebook Live the Mass on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and the Mass on Sunday at 8:30 a.m.