

St. John the Evangelist

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Ordination Anniversaries

Dec 16 – Father Victor's 11th Ordination Anniversary to the Priesthood

Dec 21 – Deacon Marcelino & Federico's 4th Ordination Anniversary to the Diaconate

Let us remember and give thanks for all the many ways God has touched us through their service to the Church. **Mass on December 17th will be offered in thanksgiving for their service.**

Faith Formation Reminders

Dec 12 - Faith Formation classes will start early at 6:15pm and end at 7:15.

Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe will start at 7:30pm.

Dec 16 - No First Reconciliation Preparation Class

Dec 19 & 26 - Christmas break – no classes

Jan 2 - Faith Formation will resume on Tuesday, January 2nd.

Any questions call Tina Denny at 817-821-8530.

Mañanitas Guadalupanas

Tuesday, December 12 at 6:00 am. Mass honoring the Virgin of Guadalupe 7:30 pm (Bilingual).

Knights of Columbus — Dec 13

The Knights of Columbus will meet at Mark Freund's home. Dinner is at 6:00pm, and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm.

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Fraternal Order that works to help those in need. We are always looking for men who are at least 18 years, who want to lend a hand to improve the lives of those in the parish and the community. Interested? Call Thomas Garcia (903) 855-9123 or Pat Giglio (219) 878-2872.

Christmas Novena - Dec 16 — 24

The novena commemorates Joseph and Mary's search for shelter in preparation of Mary giving birth to our Savior, Jesus. For nine days we move as pilgrims from home to home seeking shelter for Mary and Joseph so that the world in waiting might welcome Jesus Christ. At each home we reflect on the true meaning of Christmas through prayer, song, fellowship and dinner. The sign-up sheet to host a novena day/night is on the bulletin board. Questions? Call Maggie Conder 972-679-9330.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner — Dec 17

Sunday, December 17, 5:00 pm, Emory City Centre
The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Church. Reservations are required prior to Dec. 13. Contact: Maggie Conder 972-679-9330 or email st.johns3@verizon.net / mmconder@gmail.com

ATTENTION Novena Attendees:

The Christmas Novena will be prayed at 5:00 pm prior to dinner. Las Posadas will be prayed after dinner around 7:30pm.



Parish Collections - 3 December 2017

Combined Mass Total

Attendance.....	295
1st Collection	\$ 1299
2nd Collection - Capital Campaign	\$ 3455
Capital Campaign Pledges Received	62
Capital Campaign Amount Pledged	\$193,244

PLEASE PRAY / POR FAVOR, ORAR

... *for all who are sick, elderly or alone.* / *para todos los que están enfermos, ancianos o solos.*

Lyn Hoff (12/30) Nancy Edwards (12/30) Flavia Rodriguez (12/30) Fr. Efen Nano (12/30) Maeanna (Dusty) Forette (12/30) Janice Hays (12/30)

... *and for our Military Families / y para las familias militar.*

William Bell, Kristine Diaz (*daughter of Pete & Ivonne Diaz*), Maria Homan, Stephen Linn, Jayde E. Mack, Dylan Nix, Gary Robinson, Jr., Mark H. Sutton, Sergio Cardena, Jr (*grandson of Deacon & Lupe Espinosa*).

Ministry to the Sick

If you are sick or know someone who is unable to attend Mass & would like to receive communion call Maggie Conder 972-679-9330 (English), Deacon Marcelino (Bilingual) 903-474-4692 or Deacon Federico Aguilar (Spanish).

Christmas Flower Donations

Honor your loved ones (deceased or living) this Christmas season by donating to the Christmas flowers that will adorn the sanctuary during Christmas. Names will be published in the Christmas bulletins for anyone who makes a \$10 minimum donation before December 12th. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Drop in the collection basket or in the church office.

Day of Life for Teens — Jan 6

A Diocesan Sanctity of Life event for teens (**Parents are Welcome**) will take place at the Cathedral in Tyler on January 6, 2018, from 8:30am to 4:30pm. For more details pick up a flyer from the table at the back of the Church.

Members of SJ Youth Group will be attending. Adult Volunteers are needed to drive. If you can help, speak to Monica Hughes – 804-477-5424.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday/lunes, December 11	
Español Prayer Group	7:00pm
Quinceañeras Class	7:00pm
Tuesday/martes, December 12	
Bible Study	10:00am
Mass	6:30pm
Wed/miércoles, December 13	
Spanish Choir	6:30pm
Thursday/jueves, December 14	
R.C.I.A	7:00pm
Friday/viernes, December 15	
Saturday/sabado, December 16	
Sunday/domingo, December 17	
Mass / Misa (English)	11:00am
Mass / Misa (Español)	12:30pm

COMING SOON

DEC 12	Our Lady Guadalupe Feast Day
DEC 16-24	Christmas Novena
DEC 17	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
FEB 14	Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins
APR 1	Easter Sunday

Zero Tolerance Policy

The Diocese of Tyler is committed to provide help to anyone who may have been abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Concerns about the conduct of Church personnel can be directed to Fr. Victor or to the Promoter of Justice: Rev. Gavin Vaverik, JCL at 903-266-2159 / promoter@dioceseoftyler.org.

RECONCILIATION - Before and after First Friday Mass or by appointment. *Antes y después de Misa en primer Viernes o con cita.*

BAPTISM - By appointment. *Por cita.*

WEDDING & QUINCEAÑERAS - Consult Father Victor 6 months in advance. *Hable con el Padre seis meses pro adelante.*