

St. John the Evangelist

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Deadlines!

Dec. 16 - Christmas Flower Donations

Ordination Anniversaries

Dec 16 – 12th Anniversary of Fr. Victor's Ordination to the Priesthood

Dec 21 – 5th Anniversary of Deacon Marcelino & Federico's Ordination 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 16th will be offered in thanksgiving for their service.

Parish Donation Drive — K-Cup Coffee

During the month of **December** we ask each person or family to donate **K-Cup Coffee**. Donated items can be left in the basket in the entrance hall. Please help us reduce costs by donating items that support our parish family.

THANK YOU!

Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

Open to all students in grades 8 through 12

First Prize \$100 – Second Prize \$50 -- Third Prize \$25

Essay Topic: "How do I live my Catholic faith at school, at work, in my family and with my friends?"

Submission Deadline: Sunday, December 30

Entry Forms are available in the Parish Office

Contact: John Conder, 972-679-9331



Christmas Novena Schedule December 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.

Sun, Dec 16 – 5:00 pm, Host: Fr. Victor & Parish Council
Parish Center, SPECIAL INSTRUCTION: The Christmas Novena will be prayed at 5:00 pm. The Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will begin after the novena.

Mon, Dec 17 – 12:00 pm, Host: Deb & Gary Boyd
392 East US Hwy 69, Point 75472, 903-474-7727

Tue, Dec 18 – 11:30 am, Host: Bible Study Group
Parish Center, 903-383-3377 Alice Kissell

Wed, Dec 19 – TBD

Thu, Dec 20 – TBD

Fri, Dec 21 – 7:00 pm, Host Anne & Ronnie Parker
555 RS CR 3446, Emory 75440, 214-215-2221

Sat, Dec 22 – TBD

Sun, Dec 23 – TBD

Mon, Dec 24 – TBD

Pilgrimage to the Rosary Virgin of Chiquinquirá Bogota, Colombia June 2 – 9, 2019

For information and reservations, contact the Parish Office/Maggie Conder 972-679-9330 or Fr. Victor 903-474-4382

Parish Collections - 9 December 2018

Combined Mass Total

Attendance.....454
1st Collection\$ 929
2nd Collection - Capital Campaign/Bldg Fund\$ 1,620
Capital Campaign Pledges Received76
Capital Campaign Amount Pledged\$ 227,264
Campaign Pledges Collected 10-31-2018\$ 72,549
Catholic Extension Matching Grant Goal\$ 100,000
CE Matching Grant Period4-11-18 to 4-30-19
CE Matching Grant Raised 10-31-2018\$ 53,741

PLEASE PRAY / POR FAVOR, ORAR

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

Lyn Baldwin, Adam Blount (*Deb Boyd's son*), Ester & Armando Cabrero (*Jose Cabrero's parents*), Eveli Cabrero (*Jose Cabrero's sister*), Richard Chacon (*Leticia Chavez's brother*) Sophie Downing, Nancy Edwards, Maeanna (Dusty) Forette, Janice Hays, Paula Harvey, Lynn Hoff, Pat Holcomb, Patrick James (*Amy Urquiza's son*), Holly Koiro, Jane Moreau (*Jim Moreau's wife*), Norberta Nicasio, Ricky Raines (*Elizabeth Doros' cousin*), Jesse Sepeda (*Rosa Nino's brother*), Willie Villanueva.

... and for our military families / y para las familias militar. Freddy Hernandez (*son-in-law of David & Rosa Nino*), Michael E. Riordan (*son of Mark & Mary Riordan*), Gary Robinson, Jr. (*son of Jeanette & Gary Robinson*), Sergio Cadena, Jr. (*grandson of Deacon Marcelino & Lupe Espinosa*).



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 bulletin. There are two ways to donate:

- Make a \$15 minimum donation** on or before Sunday, December 16. Envelopes are available on the table in the hall. Drop in the collection basket or in the parish office.
- Donate a poinsettia plant.** Drop off your poinsettia in Classroom 5 on Sunday, December 16. Print the name of the person you want to honor on the plant donation form. Donation forms are available on the table in the hall. Drop in the collection basket or in the parish office. Please do not bring a plant before December 16.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday/lunes, December 17
Spanish Prayer Group 7:00pm
Tuesday/martes, December 18
Bible Study - Gospel of Luke 1:00pm
Mass & Faith Formation 6:30pm
Wed/miércoles, December 19
Christmas Choir 6:00pm
Spanish Choir 7:00pm
Thursday/jueves, December 20
English Choir 1:00pm
Becoming Catholic (RCIA) 7:00pm
Friday/viernes, December 21
Saturday/sabado, December 22
Sunday/domingo, December 23
Mass / Misa (English) 11:00am
Mass / Misa (Español) 12:30pm

COMING SOON

DEC 24 Christmas Eve Mass
DEC 25 Christmas Day
DEC 31 New Year's Eve
JAN 1 Mary, Mother of God, HOLYDAY



Worship Minister Schedule

Sunday, Dec. 23

Readers: 1R. Deb Boyd 2R. Thomas Garcia
EMHC: TBD
Nursing Home: Ronnie Parker
Altar Servers: Kyle B., Brandon B., Michaela E.
Greeters: Bill Andes & Leo Hollo

Faith Formation Reminders

Dec 25 & Jan 1: Christmas break – no classes
Jan 8: Faith Formation classes will resume.
Any questions call Tina Denny at 817-821-8530.

