

# Pause and Pray in 2016



*Prayer is not just spending time with God. It is partly that – but if it ends there, it is fruitless. No, prayer is dynamic. Authentic prayer changes us – unmask us, strips us, indicates where growth is needed. Authentic prayer never leads us to complacency, but needles us, makes us uneasy at times. It leads us to true self-knowledge, to true humility.*

St. Teresa of Avila

## St. John's Seniors Ministry Group



The St. John's Seniors Group will meet **Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00am in the Parish Hall. Our guest speaker will be Barbara Myers who is with the American Home Care Services. She will talk about some of the available services that can 'Help you stay at Home longer' when health problems may cause functional limitations on daily activities. Lunch will be covered dish. Please plan to attend.

## 2015 Contribution Statement

If you would like a copy of your 2015 contribution statement for income tax purposes mailed to you, please contact the Church office at 972-563-3643.



## CHURCH SUPPORT

Last Week's Collection:	6,414.09
Diocesan 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection (Tornado Victims):	2,638.22
Diocesan Coll. (Trujillo, Honduras):	485.00
FY'15-16 Budgeted Average:	6,400.00
FY'15-16 Average Sunday Coll. thru 12/31/15:	6,223.98
Candles:	58.25



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 16

4:00 PM †Mary Schroeder by her Family

### Sunday, January 17

8:00 AM †Francis Beard (father of Connie) by Danny & Connie Doak

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM †Trinidad Betancourt – En Memorial de su Quinto Aniversario de Fallecimiento Int. de Lidia Sanchez

### Monday, January 18

8:00 AM April Biondi by Nikki White

### Tuesday, January 19

8:00 AM Suzzane Owen by Theresa Lyon

### Thursday, January 21

8:00 AM †Wilfred Kasper by Martha Kasper

### Friday, January 22

8:00 AM For an end to abortion and a greater respect for Human Life at all Stages by Sherry Goelden & Lucy Krouskop

### Saturday, January 23

4:00 PM Deacon Jim and Carol Starr

### Sunday, January 24

8:00 AM †Joan Lipinski by Chris Lipinski Probst

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM †Ma. Refugio Tinajero Int. de Rebeca Navarrete

*Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are located in the foyer of the church.*

## Anointing of the Sick



*Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use in order to visit and administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orasco at the*



### Prayer Requests

Richard Collier  
Richard Lozano Sr.  
Mike Gonzales  
Amalia Ibarra  
Ma. Mercedes Sanchez  
Kenneth Elliott  
Rebecca Elliott  
Odilia Vargas  
Patricia Reyes  
Frank Kasper  
Paul Gumler  
Jimmy Blasingame  
Rosario Rodríguez  
Cindy Kinkaid  
Rosann Kinkaid  
Mayra Anguiano  
Michelle Elliott  
John "Sonny" Jones  
Bill Blankenship  
Patti Sikors Garrett  
Yamileth Martinez  
Warren Terry  
Frances Aguirre  
Rosa Esperanza Ramirez

Nick Morales, Sr.  
Jack Sikors  
Raul Rivera  
Brenda Newburn  
Henry Taft  
Martha Kasper  
Edgar Reyes  
Mason Gumler  
Felipa Garcia  
Joe Wages  
Donna Lain  
Margarito Soto  
William Mellon  
Laurie Rangel  
Olivia Nicole Yates  
Erica Vargas  
Margaret Wages  
Lee Wilde  
Elaine Kasper  
Sheila Wages  
Jerry Lain  
George Lyon  
Lucio Lopez  
Johnnie B. Malouf

## THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, January 18

8:00 AM Daily Mass  
1:00 PM Crochet Ministry at Casa St. John  
7:00 PM Grupo de Oración en la Casa St. John

### Tuesday, January 19

8:00 AM Daily Mass  
10:00 AM Sr. Citizens Group meeting @ Parish Hall  
6:30 PM R.E. evening classes  
6:30 PM Pláticas Bíblicas para Adultos-Casa St. John

### Wednesday, January 20

6:30 PM R.E. evening classes  
6:30 PM Hora Santa

### Thursday, January 21

8:00 AM Daily Mass  
7:00 PM RCIA meeting in Casa St. John

### Friday, January 22

8:00 AM Daily Mass

## Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of January 23/24

### Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Karen Mathers/Debbie Patterson  
Sun. 8:00am Gerald Garcia/Linda Faulkner  
Sun. 10:30am Tammy Guerra/Karie Hammond

### Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Debbie Patterson\*/Sherry G./Paul M./Gary W.  
Sun. 8:00am Conrado Aramil\*/Jack N./Cindy K./Abby H.  
Sun. 10:30am Richard Lozano Jr.\*/Kevin P./Dennis C.

### Extraordinary Ministers

Sat. 4:00pm Deacon Jim/Michael Gumler/Rod Kinkaid  
Sun. 8:00am Marianne Marsden/Mary Pat Samuels  
Sun. 10:30am Argie Benavidez/Shelilah Dean/Tammy Guerra  
Bud McClure/Lou Roberts/Donna Roberts

### Coffee and Catechism

You are invited to coffee in the Religious Education office on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 6:25pm followed by an hour helping in one of the Religious Education classrooms or monitoring a hallway during class time.



We have excellent Catechists, but we are often short of the required 2<sup>nd</sup> screened adult in the classroom. This is not difficult work and most of the adults comment that they really learn a lot and enjoy helping.

At this time there are no inside hall monitors or outdoor monitors on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We really need your help so that all of our children can have a memorable and safe experience as they study the Catholic faith.

If you have a little free time to help, please contact Susan Warner in the Religious Education office, send an e-mail to [susanwarner0309@sbcglobal.net](mailto:susanwarner0309@sbcglobal.net), or text 469-471-4395 for details. Thank you.

### Child Care



Child Care is available during the 10:30am Mass in the Parish Center for children who have not reach the age of 4. The child caregivers include Barbara and Wayne Meshell, Elvia Valle, and Mary Robinson. Each caregiver has been screened through the Safe Environment program.

Child care is available only on the Sundays that Religious Education classes are held. Occasionally, Child Care is cancelled when the number of caregivers is not sufficient to provide the supervision required. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

## Religious Education News...

### Religious Education Calendar for January:

**Sunday Classes:** 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Tuesday Classes:** 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Wednesday Classes:** 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>.

## HELP NEEDED

The Religious Education program is in need of adults to help with monitoring the traffic situation as parents arrive to drop off their children for RE classes and then return to pick them up. There is a very specific method in place for dropping off and picking up children. It is printed in the Parent Handbook and was reviewed at each of the Parent Orientation sessions before classes started in the fall. Many parents are choosing to disregard this procedure and as a result they are blocking the driveway and hindering the flow of traffic.

## TAKE NOTE

Parents dropping off their children in grades 5-12 are to turn **right** off of Frances St. (not left) into the driveway between the Parish Hall and the Parish Center, and then drop their children off by the ramp at the Parish Center. Children are to exit their vehicle only on the right side next to the ramp, not the left side. The driveway is two lanes and children exiting on the left of their car could get hit by another car passing in the other lane. Parents are not to drop their children off on Frances St. or in the parking lot north of the church. Those that do will be given a refund on tuition and their children will be removed from the program.

Parents that have an issue with this may contact Susan Warner or Fr. Orosco in the Parish office. The safety of our children is much more important than the few minutes it might save a parent getting home. We ask everyone's patience and cooperation. Thank you for complying with this request.

### Religious Gift Sale

This sale has been postponed and will be offered at another time.

### Confirmation Parent Meetings

Parents that have a child in one of the Confirmation classes will meet on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, to review the requirements for Confirmation. There will be two sessions:

**English session:** 2:00pm in the Parish Hall

**Spanish Session:** 4:00pm in the Parish Hall

Confirmation students are required to attend the meetings with at least one of their parents and to bring a copy of their Baptismal Certificate even if it has been submitted earlier.



The RE Team will have a meeting on **Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**, in the Parish Hall beginning with sign-in and Chili at 6:30pm. This is a very important meeting as we will have a guest speaker, Meghan Zuraw, from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. Meghan will speak about the problem of child sex-trafficking and how this growing problem is related to predators recruiting through the Internet. Meghan's talk will last about one hour and will qualify for the annual Safe Environment training.

Please let me know that you will be present or will not be present so that I can make proper arrangements for seating, food, and handouts. Text me at 469-471-4395 no later than January 27<sup>th</sup>. **Please note that the content of the material in this presentation is not appropriate for children.**

## Second Week of Ordinary Time

On the **Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**, a beautiful reading from Isaiah promises vindication which will "shine forth like the dawn." In the **First Letter to the Corinthians**, we are reassured that each of us has different gifts of the Spirit. "There are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." The Wedding Feast of Cana is the centerpiece of **John's Gospel**. His mother told the servants to follow his orders and Jesus performed his first public miracle "and so revealed his glory."



Thursday is the **Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**.

During the week we continue with the **First Book of Samuel**. We hear God's rejection of Saul as king. Then Samuel anoints the youngest of Jesse's sons, the shepherd boy David, as king. David kills the Philistine, winning victory for the people, in the name of the Lord. Saul becomes jealous of David and plans to kill him but Saul's son, Jonathan, changes his mind. David does not kill Saul when he finds him alone in a cave but lets him go. Saul is killed in a battle and David grieves.

In **Mark's Gospel** Jesus is asked why his disciples don't fast. He challenges the religious leaders to have a completely open mind and heart to his teaching because "new wine is poured into fresh wineskins." Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath, bringing a new freedom. It is only chapter three in the gospel, but because Jesus heals a withered hand on the Sabbath, the Pharisees already seek to kill him. Jesus withdraws and people from the surrounding regions come to him, and even the demons know who he is. Jesus names twelve Apostles to be with him, to preach and to drive out demons. Jesus' relatives think he's "out of his mind" because so many

## ¿A CUÁNTOS MATRIMONIOS SE NOS ESTARÁ ACABANDO EL VINO?



- El vino de las delicadezas, de las pequeñas pero indispensables muestras de cariño, de las atenciones casi casi de educación...
- El vino de la ilusión de estar juntos, de salir juntos, de divertirnos juntos, de soñar y hacer planes juntos...
- El vino del sacrificio, para no buscar cada uno su propia comodidad sino la comodidad del otro...
- El vino del interés sincero por aquello que el otro piensa, siente, anhela, quiere, le gusta o le molesta...
- El vino de la conversación, que nos lleva a compartir nuestras experiencias...
- En una palabra, el vino del amor.
- ¿Por qué no acudimos juntos – o cada uno por su lado – si es que la escasez de vino ha llegado ya a tal grado – a la Virgen María, para que ella le diga a su Hijo: “**Ya no tienen vino**”.

**A Dios no le gusta hacer milagros solo.**

### Pláticas Bíblicas para Adultos

Tenemos Pláticas Bíblicas para Adultos cada martes a las 6:30pm en la Casa San Juan con el Diacono Mario Sánchez.



### Hora Santa

Todos están invitados a la Hora Santa cada miércoles a las 6:30pm. Nos reunimos en la Iglesia para darle honra a Jesús Sacramentado.



### Grupo de Oración



El Grupo de Oración se reúnen cada lunes a las 7:00pm en la Casa St. Juan

### Unción de los Enfermos

Si usted o alguien que usted conozca está necesitado en recibir comunión o el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos favor de llamar al Padre Orosco en la oficina de la Iglesia al número 972-563-3643.



### Clases de Pre-Bautismales

Tenemos pláticas cada primer sábado de cada mes a las 6:00pm en el Salón Parroquial. Favor de llamar a la oficina (972-563-3643) para más información.



## Noticias de la Doctrina...

### Calendario para el mes de Enero-2016

Clases de los domingos: 17, 24, 31

Clases de los martes: 19, 26

Clases de los miércoles: 20, 27

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## ANOTE POR FAVOR

Se les recuerda a los Padres que sigan el procedimiento para dejar y levantar a sus hijos a la doctrina que está en el manual para los Padres de Educación Religiosa. Los padres que no sigan el procedimiento se les darán un reembolso de matrícula y sus hijos serán eliminados del programa. Los padres que tenga un problema con esto podrán ponerse en contacto con Susan o con el Padre Orosco. Les pedimos paciencia y cooperación de todos. Gracias por cumplir con este requisito.

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### Confirmación – Junta para los Padres

Los padres que tengan un hijo(a) en una de las clases de confirmación tendrán que asistir a una de las juntas el domingo, 24 de enero:

**Inglés:** 2:00pm en el Salón Parroquial

**Español:** 4:00pm en el Salón Parroquial

Los estudiantes de la confirmación se requiere que asistan a la junta con su padres y deberán de traer una copia de la fe de bautismo.

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**TENDREMOS UNA JUNTA PARA LAS**

**ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
TERRELL, TEXAS**

**JANUARY 17, 2016**

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**EL LUNES, 1 DE FEBRERO A LAS 6:30PM. FAVOR  
DE AVISAR A SUSAN SI VA ASISTIR.**