

**MASS INTENTIONS /  
INTENCIONES DE LA MISA**

**April/ abril 29**

5:00pm.....Julianna Del Castillo  
7:00pm

**April/ abril 30**

8:30am..... Frances De Leon †  
(Requested by: The Ladies of St. John's)

10:30am..... Albert Pennartz †  
(Requested by: Ethel Pennartz)

Ramona Castillo †  
(Requested by: Gil Castillo)

1:00pm..... Benedicta Luna † & Rita Vargas †  
(Requested by: Family)

Crescencia Rocha †  
(Requested by: Antonieta Martínez & Juanita Rocha)

5:00pm

**May/ mayo 1**

8:30am ..... Bill Ruhl

**May/ mayo 3**

7:30pm St. John's.....Melissa Nivens  
(Requested by: Carmen Hamblin)

**May/ mayo 4**

8:30am

**May/ mayo 5**

8:30am

**If you have moved, or are moving**, please call the main office and let us know.

**Si usted se ha cambiado de domicilio o se está mudando a otra ciudad**, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para poder tener sus datos al día.

**"KNIGHTS SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:** The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring two competitive scholarships again this year. We doubled the value to \$1,000.00 each. They are for anyone pursuing an undergraduate degree or certificate after high school. Forms and instructions are at the exits of all three parishes. The deadline to have them turned in is May 15, 2017."

**INFORMACION SOBRE LA BECA QUE OTORGAN LOS CABALLEROS DE COLON**

Los Caballeros de Colon están ofreciendo dos becas! Las becas son dos cada una de \$1,000.00. Estas se ofrecen para aquellos que quieren estudiar después de high school. Las formas con las instrucciones se encuentran en las tres parroquias, en la entrada de las Iglesias. La fecha límite para entregar estas formas es el 15 de mayo del 2017.

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**3rd Sunday of Easter**

With heavy hearts and shattered hopes, the two disciples were walking back to their village. They had reasons to be disappointed since Jesus, whom they thought to be the Messiah, who would restore Israel, has just been crucified like a criminal. Jesus joined the weary duo and explained to them that the tragic events that took place in Jerusalem were all according to the scriptures. The Scripture provide us a better understanding of God's salvific plan for us. And just as the disciples recognized the Lord when he broke the bread for them, we also need to become more and more aware of the presence of Jesus in our midst when we make the Eucharist the center of our life. And the conviction that the Lord is really with us always will encourage and empower us to make him known to others. Have we experienced the transforming power of the Eucharist?

**Tercer domingo de Pascua**

Con los corazones pesados y las esperanzas destrozadas, los dos discípulos regresaban a su aldea. Tenían razones para estar decepcionados ya que Jesús, a quien ellos pensaban ser el Mesías que restauraría a Israel, acaba de ser crucificado como un criminal. Jesús se unió al dúo cansado y les explicó que los trágicos acontecimientos que ocurrieron en Jerusalén eran todos de acuerdo a las Escrituras. La Escritura nos proporciona una mejor comprensión del plan salvífico de Dios para nosotros. ¡Y así como los discípulos reconocieron al Señor cuando partió el pan para ellos! También nosotros necesitamos estar cada vez más conscientes de la presencia de Jesús en medio de nosotros cuando hacemos de la Eucaristía el centro de nuestra vida. Y la convicción de que el Señor está realmente con nosotros siempre nos animará y nos capacitará para hacerle saber a los demás de su presencia. ¿Hemos experimentado el poder transformador de la Eucaristía?

**Good Shepherd Sunday**

**special collection**

**(Seminarian Formation Fund)**

**May 6-7, 2017**

As part of the Good Shepherd Sunday celebrations, the Diocese of Fort Worth will again this year ask parishioners to generously support our seminarians through the Seminarian Formation Fund. There are currently 28 seminarians studying in seminaries throughout the United States.

The Diocese of Fort Worth provides formation for each seminarian at an annual average cost of \$52,092. The Good Shepherd Sunday Special Collection assists with funding this annual cost. In addition to the Sunday collection, donations are being accepted online at [www.fwdioc.org](http://www.fwdioc.org). Please give generously.

**April is Child Abuse Prevention Month**

**Did you know?**

Safe Environment training is taking place in all dioceses of the United States. Over 2 million clergy, employees, and volunteers have been trained to prevent and respond to the abuse of children. Contact your local coordinator to find out how you can get involved.

**Queen of Heaven:**

**Mary's Battle for You Has begun!**

**Come join us for this inspiring program.**

**Queen of Heaven: Mary's Battle for You** is an 8 week program which paints the epic narrative of Mary's life. It begins before the dawn of time, when she was only an eternal thought in the mind of God, and extends into today. Just as Christ lives on through His Church, Mary lives on as the Mother of the Church. **The St Johns Group meets on Monday at 7pm and the ABVM Group meets on Thursdays at 7pm.** Come be a part of this exciting new program.

**El martes 9 de mayo a las 6:30 de la tarde se presentara la cantante católica Gela en la Iglesia en Asunción en Decatur. Están todos invitados, acompáñenos a escuchar su testimonio y canciones.**

**Spaghetti Lunch**

The Catholic Daughters, Court 2580, will host a spaghetti and salad dinner on May 7 after the 10:30 mass. The cost is \$5.00 and benefits local charities.

**COLLECTION**

**Collection for 4/16/2017**

Parish	Collection	Children's	Attendance	Good Friday
ABVM	\$5226.25	\$77.25	608	\$812.00
ST. JOHN	\$3780.96	\$105.00	515	\$574.70
ST. MARY	\$774.18	\$5.01	135	\$131.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9781.39</b>	<b>\$187.26</b>	<b>1258</b>	<b>\$1517.70</b>

**Collection for 4/22/2017**

Parish	Collection	Children's	Attendance
ABVM	\$4576.30	\$123.00	600
ST. JOHN	\$2656.85	\$48.00	408
ST. MARY	\$452.00	\$35.00	94
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7685.15</b>	<b>\$206.00</b>	<b>1102</b>



**Thank you for all your generous contributions.  
Gracias a todos por sus generosas contribuciones**

**Religious Education**

**Want to get notifications about Faith Formation (cancelling of classes, meeting reminders)?**

To receive messages via text, text @jbdc to 81010.

This is for the JBD (Jacksboro, Bridgeport, Decatur) Faith Formation.

**Safe Environment/SE (18+)**

As of 8/1/16, the Diocese of Fort Worth released an online certification application, **Safe & Sacred**. This application completes a background check and tracks the courses needed for certification. Certification is valid for 3 years. Any questions, please contact Anna Boyles or Howard Biel.

**Manteniendo un ambiente seguro**

La diócesis de Fort Worth ha publicado la aplicación en línea para la certificación de Safe&Sacred. Este es el nombre del programa para el ambiente seguro, este programa revisa su record y le da la clase para que se certifique. Esta certificación es válida por 3 años. Si tiene preguntas sobre este programa hable con Anna Boyles o Howard Biel.

Sunday, MAY 7th at 5:30 pm Youth Group Meeting **"HARD TO CHOOSE?"** Will be held in Decatur Grades 6th and up are welcomed, please feel free to bring a friend.

**2nd annual Soccer tournament for Religious Vocations a 2 day tournament** June 3rd and 4th Captains select your teams - Signups will begin in May more info to come

**2017-2018 JBD Catholic Youth Council Now forming** Please complete an application found at the youth bulletin board in parish hall. Youth grades 5th and up may sign up It's a great way to serve the Lord. If you would like more information please contact Karen Del Castillo.

**Please include in yours prayers those who are ill and recovering.**

**Por favor incluya en sus oraciones a aquellos que se encuentran enfermos o en recuperación.**

Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, Mr. Clarence Pennartz, Baby Claire Stephens, Mrs. Beth Anderson, Mrs. Mary Helen Casillas, Deacon Eldon Gray, Mrs. Judith Creese, Mrs. Paula Kersten, Mrs. Thelma Supina, Mrs. Rita Gonzales, baby Angel Jaramillo, Mrs. Janna Egleston, Mr. Emilio Rodriguez, Mrs. Dianne Pierce, Mr. Josh Root, Mr. Francisco Cruz, Mrs. Mary Darilek, Mrs. Mary Lou Landers, Mr. Charles Anderle, Mr. Eleazar Perez, Ms. Lee Collier, Mr. Lee Braun, Mrs. Frances Janecka, Dylan Ruvalcaba, Mrs. Joan Glazer, Mrs. Joan Schedcik, Mrs. Maria Benavente, Mrs. Ramona Allen, Mr. David Daugherty, Mr. John Camacho, Mrs. Edna Anderle, Mr. Lonnie Gray, Mrs. Pauline Melanson.

**Cub Scout troop 888**

Meets every **4th Monday** at 6:30pm at ABVM 1st grade and up.

Boys do not need to be a member of the church- troop is open to all boys.

Contact

Gilbert 817-805-4118 or Karen 940-368-8459

**ASSUMPTION**

**Please continue to bring food for our needy families.**

**Por favor, siga donando alimentos para nuestras familias necesitadas**

**Ultreya en Asunción**

La Ultreya de Asunción en Decatur se reúnen todos los martes comenzando a las 6:30 con el Rosario. Están todos cordialmente invitados a ser parte de estas reuniones.

Come join us for an exciting new parish program, **Queen of Heaven: Mary's Battle for You.** Thursdays @7pm in the meeting room.

**Spaghetti Lunch on May 7<sup>th</sup>**

The Catholic Daughters will have a **spaghetti lunch on May 7<sup>th</sup> at ABVM** after the 10:30 mass. The cost is \$5.00 and includes dinner and salad.

**Las hijas Católicas tendrán venta de platillo de espagueti el 7 de mayo después de misa de 10:30.**

**GUADALUPANAS**

Las Guadalupanas tienen junta cada segundo viernes del mes a las 6:30 de la tarde, en el salón parroquial. Todos están invitados a unirse a este grupo, solo tiene que asistir a la junta.

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist 5-07-17**

Ann Penny, Jeanne Vangundy, Rita Lemoine, Gilbert Ramon

**Lectors 5-07-17**

Monica & Glenn

**Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Eucaristia 5-07-17**

Pilo & Beronica Rodriguez, Antonia Ortiz

**ST. MARY**

**Adoración al Santísimo**

Se les invita a todos a la Adoración al Santísimo cada primer viernes del mes de 6:30-7:00p.m.

**Coro**

El coro de Santa María se junta a practicar los viernes a las 8 de la noche con 30 minutos de estudio y reflexión bíblica.

**Potluck Dinner**

Potluck dinner is every fourth Sunday of the month. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share.

**ST. JOHN'S**

May 13<sup>th</sup> will be a St Johns **work day** to finish cleaning and area beautification. Please plan to attend and bring a friend.

**La Ultreya es los lunes a las 7 de la tarde en San Juan en Bridgeport, todos están invitados a este grupo de convivencia y oración.**

**The Bob Gasper Scholarship** is awarding 1 - \$500.00 scholarship to a St John Parishioner who seeks continuing education. You can find the application forms in the back of the church. **Deadline is May 15th.**

**Estudio de Biblia**

Estudio de Biblia todos los Viernes de 7-9pm en San Juan en los salones de la doctrina. Para más informacion hable con Tomas Huerta al 940-393-6431.

**Bible Study**

**"Queen of Heaven: Mary's Battle for You"**. Come discover the love of Mary, and let her bring you closer to Jesus. Join us for this 8 week program on Monday's at 7:00pm at St. John's. If you miss a Monday, you can join the program at ABVM that Thursday.

**St. Ann's Sewing** circle meets every Tuesday at St. John's Parish Hall from 10am-? If you like to sew come join us, everyone is invited to join.

**TO GO DINNER PLATES**

No need to be a slave to the kitchen this weekend because on Sunday morning after Mass the St. John's Ladies Group will be selling **To Go dinner plates for \$5 each**. The plate includes two shredded pork soft tacos, rice, beans, tomatillo (green sauce), and lime wedges...quite a bargain for \$5. As always, the Ladies thank you for your continued generous support of all our endeavors.

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist 5-07-17**

Jim & Ann Duffy, Víctor González, María Lara

**Lectors 5-07-17**

JoAnna Jones & Mary Holleman

**Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Eucaristia 5-06-17**

María Frutos, Pablo Pérez, Rosa González

**Lectores 5-06-17**

Guadalupe & Martha Guadalajara