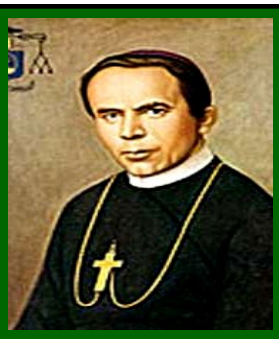

St John Neumann, C. S. S.R.
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Welcome to ST. JOHN NEUMANN CHURCH

102 W. Hillside Rd. Laredo, Texas 78041
Parish Website: http://www.sjneumannlaredo.org

Rev. Fr. Salvador Pedroza, Pastor
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Rev. Fr. Jose Luis Balderas, Retired, Priest in Residence
Deacon Gerardo Morales

Office: (956) 726-9488 Fax (956) 726-0540 Office Hours: Tues. - Fri. 8:30 AM– 5:00 PM

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6 PM Vigil (Spanish)

Sunday: 9:00 AM (English)

12:00 Noon (English)

YA NO HABRÁ MISA DE 6:00 PM LOS DOMINGOS

Weekday Mass at 12:15 noon

Tues. & Thurs - 12:15 p.m. Span

Weds. & Fri. - 12:15 p.m. English

Persons are still exempt from attending Mass in person. You will not be committing a sin by your absence from Sunday Masses during this time.

Los católicos están exentos de su obligación moral de asistir a la Misa Dominical.

Usted no estará cometiendo pecado faltando a la Misa Dominical durante este periodo.

Reconciliation (Confesiones)

Saturday: 4:15 – 5:30 PM & by appt.

Parish Office Staff

Secretary-Nina Valdez Ext. 15
sec@sjnlaredo.org

Bookkeeper-Claudia Flores Ext. 11
bk@sjnlaredo.org

Faith Formation (CCD) Ext. 13
Julie Rodriguez, M.A.
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Bulletin Announcements

Deadline is the *Tuesday, before publication date.*
Send to: sec@sjnlaredo.org

Weddings

Arrangements need to be made with the pastor 6 months in advance.

Baptisms

Parents need an interview with Fr. Pedroza, prior to scheduling a Baptism with the parish office.

Quince Años

For more information, please call or stop by the parish office.

Parish Mission Statement

We, the community of St. John Neumann, desire to guide all souls toward God. This we accomplish by evangelizing through our ministries. Our liturgical celebrations center around the Eucharist.

Our Vision

We seek to become a spiritual home where God's love for us and our love for Him abounds freely and within an atmosphere of brotherhood and good will.

Nuestra Misión Parroquial

Nosotros, la comunidad de St. John Neumann, deseamos guiar a todas las almas a Dios. Logramos esto evangelizando a través de nuestros ministerios. Nuestras celebraciones litúrgicas están centradas en La Eucaristía.

Nuestra Visión

Deseamos convertirnos en un hogar espiritual donde el amor de Dios por nosotros y nuestro amor por El abunde libremente dentro de un ambiente de buena voluntad y de hermandad.

Welcome to our parish!

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers
Catalina Montemayor (956) 744-0141
Email: sismont@att.net

Altar Society
Ruby Hernandez (956) 763-6160

Bible Reflection/ Classroom 2
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Youth Group
Christy Pedraza (956)645-5959
Email: cpedraza@stx.rr.com

Note:

Please wear a protective mask or bandana when coming to Mass, confession or to the parish office. Thank You

Se les pide de favor que cuándo vengan a Misa, confesión o a la oficina, usen una mascara protectora o bandana para la protección de todos. Gracias

♦ PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALTH & NEEDS OF:

Fr. Jose F. Lucero, SDB	Fr. Joe Cadena	Front Line Workers & Fam	Irma Reyna Yolanda Rios
Ernesto F. Barreda	Lily Esquivel Alicia Jasso		Julio Rivera
Rebecca Benavides	Pedro Garza, Jr.	Osvaldo Montiel	Juan Manuel Rodriguez
Cesar Casso	J. Gonzalez	Imelda Perez	Jesse Sanchez, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Alberto Cortez	Jonathan Gonzalez	Jose O. Ramirez	Debbie Solis
Alberto Cortez Alberto I Cortez	Agustin Maldonado	Marcelo Ramirez	Alberto Taboada
Juanita Cortez Rhonda Davila Lily Espinoza	Linda Maldonado Oscar Maldonado	The Rendon Family	Christopher & Tony Valdez

The Sanctuary Candle will be burning for
The Eternal Rest of
†Felicitas & †Leonico Ibarra
By the Jorge Buitron Family

The Altar Flowers this weekend, are for
†Alfredo Dovalina
In Memory of His Birthday
By the Dovalina Family

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 8, 2020
6:00 p.m. **†Alfredo Dovalina**

Sunday, August 9, 2020
9:00 a.m. **†Arnulfo & †Guadalupe Asencio**
12:00 p.m. **People of God**

Monday, August 10, 2020 - No Mass

Tuesday, August 11, 2020
12:15 p.m. **†Paula Hernandez**
†Primitivo Diaz

Wednesday, August 12, 2020
12:15 p.m. **In Thanksgiving**

Thursday, August 13, 2020
12:15 p.m. **†Hugo A. y †Ofelia A. Gutierrez**

Friday, August 14, 2020
12:15 p.m. **†For The Holy Souls in Purgatory**

♦ FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Dress Code for Confirmation-Youth and Adults

Women: dresses, skirts and blouses with sleeves (no low cut, thin straps or low back), pantsuits in white, off-white or light colors. Dress shoes or sandals with a back, no flip flop type shoe. No blacks or dark colors, no denim or jean type material. Men: Long sleeve dress shirt with a tie of any color, dark pants (black, navy blue, dk brown). No denim or jean type material. Dress shoes. Sport coat is optional. Modesty is the norm for both women and men.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Confirmation Masses will be on Friday, August 28th at 7 PM and Saturday, August 29th at 11 AM. Please check with your catechist for the confession times. The Confirmation catechists, Miss Abrego and Mrs. Montemayor will let their students know of any other requirements.

Photographer for Sacrament of Confirmation

In order to have an orderly celebration, we will have a photographer. Parents are not permitted to take photos during the Mass. Please call or text Mrs. Susan Herrera to place an order if you are interested in photographs. Her number is (956)740-2840. Thank you.

Registration of students for 2020-2021

In order to register your child/youth for Holy Communion or Confirmation, we ask that you fill out two forms. You will find these forms on our website or in the main office. Please turn them in to the parish office. August 31, 2020 is the last day to turn in the registration forms.

God bless you, Julie Rodriguez, M.A.P.S.; M.A. Ed.

NOTICIAS DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FÉ

Vestuario de alumnus de Confirmación

Damas: Blusas con mangas, no escotes, faldas de colores claros (no usar color negro) pantalon y blusa ó pantsuit—nada de mezclilla ó denim. Zapatilla de salir ó sandalias con talon (no estilo flip flop). Hombres: camisa blanca de salir de manga larga, corbata de cualquier color, pantalon oscuro (negro, café, gris ó azul marino, etc.) zapatos de salir. No deben de usar ninguna prenda de denim ó mezclilla. Todo con modestia.

Sacramento de la Confirmación

Las Misas de Confirmacion serán el viernes, 28 de agosto a las 7PM y el sábado, 29 de agosto a las 11AM. Las catequistas de Confirmación, la Señorita Abrego y la Señora Montemayor pondran al tanto a sus alumnos de algun otro requisite y de los horarios para las confesiones.

Fotógrafo para la Confirmación

Para tener una celebración ordenada, no se permitirá a los padres tomar fotos durante la ceremonia. Si está interesado en una foto por favor llame ó mande un mensaje a la Sra. Susan Herrera al 956-740-2840 para poner su orden.

Inscripcion de alumnos para el 2020-2021

Por favor llene las formas de inscripción que se encuentran en la (red) internet ó recoja las formas de la oficina principal de la parroquia, llenelas y las entrega en la oficina parroquial. Tiene hasta el 31 de agosto para entregar las formas de inscripcion.

Dios lo bendiga, Julie Rodriguez, M.A.P.S.; M.A.Ed.

♦ LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

Weekdays	$ 15.00	Sat. 6:00 PM	$ 6,366.00
Building Fund	$ 408.00	Sun. 9:00 AM	$ 471.00
Online Giving + Building Fund	$ 1,650.00 $ 85.00	Sun.12:00 PM	$ 419.85
		Combined Total	**$ 9,414.85**

Loving God, your grace provides us with secure shelter even amid our times of doubt and despair. Our lives periodically seem adrift from the refuge of your unwavering love. Lift us- from the depths of selfishness and greed. Restore our hope and help us to find contentment in you so that we may offer these financial gifts as devouted disciples of Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray. Amen.

Matthew 14:22-33

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†Zenaida Martinez 7-30-2020

†Jesus R. Garcia 8-01-2020

†Maria Antonia Gonzalez 8-05-2020

Today's Gospel Reflection—Matthew 14: 22-33

Today's Gospel directly follows last week's account of Jesus feeding a crowd of more than 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. For the sake of the crowds, Jesus had postponed his time of solitude. Now, at last, Jesus finds some time for quiet and prayer. He sends his disciples ahead of him by boat, dismisses the crowds, and then withdraws to the mountain to pray.

The disciples do not fare well. They struggle to weather the wind and waves, making little progress in their journey. We are reminded of a previous story in Chapter 8 of Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus calms the seas. This time, however, Jesus does not calm the seas, and the disciples do not express fear until they see Jesus walking toward them on the water. In this story it is not the storm that is feared but the sight of Jesus before them, whom they mistake for a ghost.

Clues like these suggest that this story is about the disciples' growing understanding of the identity of Jesus. In continuity with last week's Gospel about the feeding of the multitude, today's Gospel is also about what the disciples' faith in Jesus will enable them to do. In last week's Gospel, when the disciples see the crowds, they ask Jesus to send the crowds away. Jesus turns the situation around, telling the disciples to feed the crowd with the provisions that they have. Both of these Gospels tell us much about ministry.

Jesus calls to the disciples and calms their fears. He is not a ghost. The impulsive Peter seeks proof that the person is indeed Jesus. He asks Jesus to call him out onto the water, and Jesus grants this request. Peter's fear and doubt overtake him, however, once he is walking on the water. Jesus reaches out to Peter and saves him. When Jesus and Peter enter the boat, Matthew reports that the wind ceases, and the disciples confess that Jesus is the Son of God.

Faith in Jesus will enable the disciples to do the work that Jesus has done. Peter walks on water. The five loaves and two fish feed a multitude of people. The disciples can and will participate in the work of the kingdom of heaven. When Peter fears and doubts the person of Jesus, however, he falters. Peter's example teaches us that true Christian ministry emerges from the faith that Jesus is the Messiah, God's only Son.

Additional Readings and Reflections at www.loyolapress.com

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ST. JOHN NEUMANN ANNOUNCEMENTS

For those of you that are not able to join us for Mass during the weekend, yet are viewing a Mass on You Tube, Facebook or EWTN, we invite you to say this spiritual prayer:

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentaly, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Oración para Comulgar Espiritualmente

Jesús mío, creo que Tú estas realmente presente en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar; te amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo recibirte ahora dentro de mi alma; ya que no te puedo recibir sacramentalmente, ven a lo menos espiritualmente a mi corazón. Y como si ya te hubiese recibido, te abrazo y me uno todo a Ti, o Señor, no permitas que jamás me separe de Ti. Amen.

Thank you for your continued support during these challenging times. We hope to celebrate Mass via live streaming this weekend! It will be available on You Tube and via Facebook at Sjn Laredo.

Gracias por su continuo apoyo durante estos tiempos que hemos permanecido ausentes. Si les es possible seguir apoyando a Nuestra Parroquia, favor de venir a la oficina ó mandar por correo su ofrenda. También otra opción seria que se de de alta en el sistema electronico en nuestra página de la Parroquia.