



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

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Deacon Gerardo Morales

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Office Hours: Tues. - Fri. 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6:00 PM Vigil (Spanish)

Sunday: 9:00 AM (English)

12:00 Noon (English)

**POR EL MOMENTO, 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

Reconciliation (Confesiones)

Saturday: 4:15 – 5:30 PM & by appt.

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 cuando vengán a Misa, confesión o a la oficina, usen una mascara protectora o bandana para la protección de todos.
Gracias.

Parish Office Staff

Secretary-Nina Valdez Ext. 15
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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

Alejandra Garza (956) 236-3885
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Altar Society

Ruby Hernandez (956) 763-6160

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Jessica Cardenas

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Finance Council

David Cardwell, Chair (956) 763-3627
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Youth Group

Christy Pedraza (956) 645-5959
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◆ PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALTH & NEEDS OF:

Joey Avila	Front Line Workers	Linda Maldonado	Irma Reyna Karina Rios
Ernesto F. Barreda	Pedro Garza, Jr.	Oscar Maldonado	Yolanda Rios Julio Rivera
Rebecca Benavides	Estella Gonzalez	Yolanda Martinez	Juan Manuel Rodriguez
Alicia Cardenas	Jonathan Gonzalez	Osvaldo Montiel	
Cesar Casso	Alicia Jasso Diana Jasso	Ryan A. Ochoa	Norberto Rodriguez Sosa
Jose L. Castro Melissa Castro	Eva Jasso Gonzalez	Imelda Perez	All Teachers & Students
Carmen Delgado	Luis Jasso Alicia Linsey	Christopher Pruitt	Aaron Sorocki and family
Jose Espinoza	Claudia Lomas & Maria Lomas	Jose O. Ramirez	Alberto Taboada
Elvia Garza	Agustin Maldonado	Marcelo Ramirez	Christopher & Tony Valdez

*Will you not stay with me one hour?***BE ONE WITH JESUS IN**
*Eucharistic Adoration***7:00—8:00 P.M. every Thursday****ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA***Te invitamos todos los jueves,
de las 7 a las 8 de la noche***Mass Intentions for the Week****Saturday, May 1, 2021****6:00 p.m.** †Sr. Guadalupe Perez**Sunday, May 2, 2021****9:00 a.m.** Veronica Alvarado Avila & Daughter**12:00 p.m.** People of God**Monday, May 3, 2021 - No Mass Today****Tuesday, May 4, 2021****12:15 p.m.** Intenciones Especiales**Wednesday, May 5, 2021****12:15 p.m.** †Holy Souls in Purgatory**Thursday, May 6, 2021****12:15 p.m.** †Santas Ánimas del Purgatorio**Friday, May 7, 2021****12:15 p.m.** †Carlos Cavazos

†Sara T. and †Severiano Serna

◆ FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Sacrament of the Eucharist and Penance

The Masses for the reception of the first, second and 3rd groups of First Holy Communion are scheduled on the following Saturdays: May 8, May 15, and May 22, at 11 a.m. Confessions for the students are the following Tuesdays of May 4, 11, and 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Photographer for First Communion

We will have a photographer for the First Communion Masses. I will be giving you more information on this. No one else will be permitted to take photos during the ceremony.

No Godparents for First Eucharist

The church does not require Godparents for the sacrament of First Holy Communion. Godparents are required only for Baptism and Confirmation.

Dress Code for Holy Communion

Girls are to wear modest white or off-white dress, dress shoes, or sandals with a back, veils are optional. Boys are to wear dress long sleeve white shirt, dark pants (navy blue, brown, grey, black) dress shoes and tie of any color. If you want to wear a sport coat that is fine, but is not required.

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

NOTICIAS DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FÉ**Sacramento de Primera Comunión y Penitencia**

La recepción de la Primera Comunión será en tres grupos: los sábados 8, 15, y 22 de mayo a las 11 a.m. Las confesiones para los alumnos serán los martes 4, 11, y 18 de mayo a las 6:30 p.m.

Fotógrafo para la Primera Comunión

Para guardar el orden en la misa, tendremos un fotógrafo. Nadie más podrá tomar fotos durante la misa. Les daré más información en adelante.

No se Necesitan Padrinos para la Primera Comunión

La iglesia no requiere padrinos para la Primera Comunión. Solo para el Bautismo y la Confirmación se requieren padrinos.

Vestuario Para Primera Comunión

Las niñas deberán usar un vestido modesto blanco o crema, zapatos de salir o sandalias con correa atrás, el velo es opcional. Los niños deberán usar camisa blanca de salir manga larga y una corbata de cualquier color, pantalones oscuros, (azul, café, gris, negro). Si desean usar saco es permitido pero no es requerido.

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

◆ LAST	WEEK'S OFFERING		
Weekdays	\$ 198.00	Sat. 6:00 PM	\$ 948.00
Home Mission	\$ 383.00	Sun. 9:00 AM	\$ 796.00
		Sun. 12:00 PM	\$ 1,087.00
Online Giving Offering	\$ 1,595.00	Combined Total including online giving	\$ 4,624.00
Cath School Scholarship	\$ 10.00		
Home Mission	\$ 5.00	(donations in blue are paid to the Diocese)	

Holy Lord, you have perfected love among us by sending your son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. We humbly acknowledge your gift is an overwhelming pronouncement of grace. We share these tithes and offerings today with the hope that your children everywhere will be anointed with the knowledge that your perfect love casts out all fears.

1 John 4:7-21

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The Sanctuary Candle will be burning for
Raul A. Santos
Happy Birthday!
 Love, Your Mother & Sister,
 Diana & Dianita



SECOND COLLECTIONS IN MAY
 May 2—Bldg Fund
 May 16—Catholic Communications Campaign

The Altar Flowers this weekend are
 Sponsored by the
 Consecration to St. Joseph Prayer
 Group



Today's Gospel Reflection— John 15:1-8

Jesus teaches that he is the vine and that his disciples are the branches.

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is part of Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper. Recall that John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbor. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

Additional Readings and Reflections at www.loyolapress.com



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of
**†Fernando
and †Ruby
Moreno**
By Their
Children &
Grandchildren

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Blessings from
Mr. and Mrs.
David Gonzalez
and Family

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Nina, ext. 15 to see what special
is available for the month of
April. New ads only!

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ST. JOHN NEUMANN ANNOUNCEMENTS

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Greetings Parishioners,

It has already been a year since we were impacted by the COVID-19 virus which caused a huge change to the way we live, do business, work and even worship. We have had to adapt to changes to our Mass schedules, a limit of attendees at each Mass, limiting church fundraising events such as our annual festivals and even other church activities such as our retreats and other spiritual gatherings. These limitations have had an impact to our collections thus affecting our budget. We respectfully request that you assist us in supporting our parish by making your weekly contributions. We need everyone to come together and help maintain our Parish and we look forward to the day we can gather and worship together in our Church.

God bless you,
Father Salvador Pedroza, Pastor

UN MENSAJE IMPORTANTE DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Muy Estimados Feligreses,

Esperando se encuentren bien. Ha pasado ya un año desde que el COVID-19 impactó nuestras vidas, y con él nuestra forma y ó estilo de vida, la forma de trabajar, de negociar y hasta la forma de venerar. Hemos tenido que adaptarnos a todos estos cambios, incluyendo los horarios de misas y al cupo limitado de cada una de las mismas. Hemos estado limitados también en la forma de recaudar fondos como nuestro festival anual y hasta otras actividades de la iglesia tales como retiros y otras reuniones espirituales. Todas estas limitaciones han impactado nuestras colectas y por ello nuestro presupuesto. Con mucha humildad y respeto pedimos de su apoyo asistiéndonos con sus contribuciones semanales, si les es posible. Es necesario unirnos como comunidad para ayudar a nuestra parroquia. Esperemos que pronto llegue el día en que podamos estar todos juntos para celebrar nuestras misas.

Dios los bendiga,
Rev. Salvador Pedroza, Pastor

