

St John Neumann, C. S. S.R.
1811-1860

Welcome to ST. JOHN NEUMANN CHURCH

102 W. Hillside Rd. Laredo, Texas 78041

Parish Website: <http://www.sjneumannlaredo.org> Facebook: Sjn Laredo

Rev. Fr. Salvador Pedroza, Pastor
email: frpedroza@diocesoflaredo.org

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

Office: (956) 726-9488 Fax (956) 726-0540

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)

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 máscara protectora o bandana para la protección de todos.
Gracias.

Parish Office Staff

Admin. Assistant-Nina Valdez Ext. 15
sec@sjnlaredo.org

Bookkeeper-San Juana Garza Ext. 11
bk@sjnlaredo.org

Faith Formation (CCD) Ext. 13
Linda Villarreal
cre@sjnlaredo.org

Bulletin and Announcements

Deadline is the *Tuesday, prior to 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
Email: aleghp7@gmail.com

Altar Society

Ruby Hernandez (956) 763-6160

Bible Reflection/ Classroom 1

Miguel Angel Rios (956) 236-1248

Extraordinary Ministers of

Holy Communion

Lydia Guevara (956) 282-8111
Email: lydiaguevara65@gmail.com

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Corina Salinas (956) 763-1472
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Music Ministry

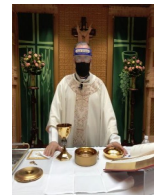
Monica Ramos
Email: ramosmonis03@gmail.com

Finance Council

Marta Stahl, Co-Chair
Email: stahlmarta@yahoo.com
Cynthia Collazo, Co-Chair
Email: cyndy725@hotmail.com

Life Teen

Lorena Abrego (956) 231-9287
Email: lorenaabrego27@gmail.com



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◆ PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALTH & NEEDS OF:

Imelda Allred	Elvia Garza	J.A. Valdez
Olga Alvarado	Imelda Garza	
Dimitri Avila, Jr.	Joe Gonzalez & Family	Rendon Family
		Leticia Valdez
Jorge Campos		Irma Reyna
		Karina Rios
		Christopher & Tony Valdez
Teresita Cantu	CJ Guevara	Yolanda Rios
SanJuana Casso	Arnoldo Jasso	
Bobby Cruz		
L. Dovalina	Diana Jasso	Juan Manuel Rodriguez
Carmen Delgado	LC Employees & Students	Severiano Serna, Jr.



ADULT SACRAMENT CLASS

Anyone who is 18 years of age or older is eligible for this class. The class is for those needing the sacrament of Baptism, First Communion and or Confirmation. Class will begin on October 28. This class is also available to anyone who is not a parishioner of St. John Neumann.

If interested, please call Catalina Montemayor (Instructor) at 956-744-0141 or Miss Linda Villarreal (Faith Formation Coordinator) at 956-726-9488 ext. 13 after 2:00 PM for more information.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 25, 2021

6:00 p.m. †Las Benditas Ánimas del Purgatorio

Sunday, September 26, 2021

9:00 a.m. †Jose Paz Equigua, †Mike Lozano, †Conrado & Carmen Camacho, †Guadalupe & Josefina Perez

12:00 p.m. People of God

Monday, September 27, 2021 - No Mass Today

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

12:15 p.m. Intenciones Especiales

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

12:15 p.m. †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, September 30, 2021

12:15 p.m. Celsita Herrera and †Rene Neira Ramos

Friday, October 1, 2021

12:15 p.m. In Thanksgiving

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Mass Attendance Booklets

I'm very pleased and excited with the way classes have started off this year. I'm so happy to see so many parents engaged in our children's spiritual growth.

Starting today, all students attending classes for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, must pick up a Mass attendance booklet at the end of each Mass and have it stamped by a staff member from Faith Formation. The students themselves must be present for the stamping. Booklets may be stamped and picked up at the entrance to the parish hall nearest the church's chapel right after each Mass. The booklets should be turned in to the catechism teacher at the beginning of classes. **Mass attendance is mandatory** to receive the sacramental rites. Hope you have a great week!

Blessings, Your Sister in Christ, Linda Lucila Villarreal

Noticias de Formación en la Fé

Folletos de Asistencia a Misa

Me ha dado mucho gusto ver un inicio de clases tan positivo esta semana. Me alegra que tantos padres comprometidos con el desarrollo espiritual de nuestros niños.

Empezando hoy, cada estudiante de Confirmación y de Primera Comunión debe recoger su folleto de asistencia a misa en la entrada del salón cerca de la capilla. El estudiante debe estar presente en misa personalmente para que le estampemos su folleto cada fin de semana. **Asistencia a misa es obligatoria** para poder recibir los sacramentos. Ojalá tengan una semana maravillosa. Entreguen sus folletos a sus maestras en clase.

Su hermana en Cristo, Linda Lucila Villarreal



Every Thursday from 7:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Adoración Eucarística los jueves, de las 7 a las 8 de la noche

The Altar Flowers this weekend are for
Mike Lozano
in Memory of His Birthday
By the Dovalina Family



The Sanctuary Candle this weekend will be burning for *Mike Lozano* in Memory of His Birthday By the Dovalina Family

◆ LAST	WEEK'S OFFERING	
Weekdays	\$ 264.75	Sat. 6:00 PM \$ 1,362.00
		Sun. 9:00 AM \$ 765.00
		Sun. 12:00 PM \$ 857.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,230.00	
	Combined Total	\$ 4,478.75
	incl Online Giving	

Gracious Lord, we join together in prayer. We recognize that daily prayer impacts our spiritual health. Likewise, offering our tithes to you also impacts our spiritual health. The acts of praying and giving unify our church community and place our collective attention on you. As we practice these spiritual disciplines, we hope to draw even closer to you. We pray in the name of the Jesus Christ who offers salvation to all throughout our world. Amen.

James 5:13-20

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STOP ABORTION FUNDING IN RECONCILIATION BILL

The 2022 BUDGET Reconciliation Bill, also known as the "Build Back Better Act" currently includes millions of tax dollars to pay for abortions. Please contact your U.S. Congressman and Senator as soon as possible to tell them that abortion funding must be removed from the legislation.

Congressman Henry Cuellar (202) 225-1640
Senator John Cornyn (202) 224-2934

DETENER LA FINANCIACIÓN DEL ABORTO EN LA LEY DE RECONCILIACIÓN

El Proyecto de Ley de Reconciliación del Presupuesto de 2022, también conocido como "Build Back Better Act", actualmente incluye millones de dólares de impuestos para pagar los abortos. Comuníquese con su congresista y senador de los Estados Unidos lo antes posible para decirles que esta financiación de los abortos debe eliminarse de la legislación.

Congresista Henry Cuellar (202) 225-1640
Senador John Cornyn (202) 224-2934

LIFE TEEN

Inviting all teenagers from ages 14-18, grades 9 - 12 to our Life Teen nights! Come join us for an opportunity to grow in the Catholic faith and for fun activities! Invite your friends. Hope to see you there!

When: Wednesdays

Time: 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM (after Confirmation class)*

Where: Parish Hall

For more information, please contact Lorena Abrego, (956)231-9287 or email: lorenaabrego27@gmail.com

* All confirmation students **MUST ATTEND** as part of the formation requirements.

Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Today's Gospel Reflection— Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Jesus teaches that whoever is not against him is for him.

Today we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Recall that last week we heard Jesus chastise his disciples for their argument about who among them was the greatest. Jesus taught them that the greatest among them will be those who serve the least ones. In today's Gospel, the disciple John questions Jesus about an unknown exorcist who was driving out demons in Jesus' name. John's question might have been motivated by jealousy. Previously in Mark's Gospel, Jesus healed a boy whom the disciples had been unable to heal. John's question is further evidence that the disciples have not yet grasped Jesus' words to them. They continue to compare themselves to others who seem to have greater healing powers, and they do not want to share the power of Jesus' name with others.

Today the demon possession described in the Gospels might be seen as a form of mental illness, but the need for healing these syndromes was as real then as it is now. Exorcism was a common practice in first-century Palestine. Some people had the power to heal the symptoms of possession. One of the strategies used was to invoke the name of a person or figure who was believed to have the power to heal.

The disciples observed that the unknown exorcist invoked Jesus' name and was successful in his healing efforts. This unknown healer recognized the power of Jesus' name, yet he was not a follower of Jesus. In his reply to his disciples, Jesus acknowledges that deeds of faith can precede the words of faith. He also teaches that the disciples should not be reluctant to share Jesus' healing powers with others.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus teaches us not to create obstacles for those who are just beginning to have faith but to encourage even the smallest signs of faith. The Greek word used here for sin also connotes "stumbling" or "causing scandal." In vivid terms Jesus teaches his disciples the consequences to those who would put obstacles before people who are on the road to faith.

Additional Readings and Reflections at www.loyolapress.com



In Loving Memory of
†Fernando and †Ruby Moreno
By Their Children & Grandchildren

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Blessings from Mr. and Mrs. David & Jessica Gonzalez & Family

Call the parish office, ask for Nina, ext. 15 to see what special is available for the month of October. New ads only!

Grizel's
Flowers & Gift Shop
Flowers for All Occasions
PH: 725-GIFT (4438)
Cell: 956-740-6520

Religious Goods Center
812 E. Calton Rd.
723-2501 Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
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ST. JOHN NEUMANN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Collections in October

Oct. 3 Respect Human Life
Oct. 10 Building Fund
Oct. 24 World Mission Sunday

Important Dates / Events

Oct. 3 "Blessing of all animals" at St. Peter's Plaza
Oct. 9 Nocturnal Adoration
Oct. 11 Columbus Day

Blessing Of All Animals

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Sunday, October 3, 2021 there will be a blessing of all animals from 4 - 5PM at St. Peter's Plaza. All animals should be taken in cage, use a leash and or harness. St. Francis of Assisi medals and t-shirts will be available for a donation. Donations received will go toward the Trap, Neuter/Spay & Return (TNT) program. The use of masks and social distancing is recommended. This event is sponsored by Gateway Gatos of Laredo and St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church. For more details, call Birdie at (956) 286-7866,

Thank you for your continued support during these challenging and difficult times. The Faith Formation classes have begun. The a/c unit that covers half of the classroom areas was not repairable and has now been replaced. If you are able to help us defray the cost of the a/c replacement, we would be forever grateful.



Your donation is greatly appreciated

Gracias por su continuo apoyo durante estos tiempos. Las clases de catecismo ya empezaron. La unidad del a/c para la mitad del area del catecismo que no se pudo reparar, ya fue instalado. Si les es posible seguir apoyando a nuestra Parroquia, y si pueden ayudar con el costo de esta unidad, pueden pasar por la oficina o hacerlo en línea. Mil gracias y que Dios los bendiga a cada uno de ustedes.