

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

Office: (956) 726-9488 Fax 726-0540 Office Hours: Mondays 10AM-6PM Tues. - Fri. 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday: 6:00 PM Vigil (Español)

Sunday: 9:00 AM (English)
12:00 Noon (English)
2:30 PM (Español)

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tues. & Thurs - 12:15PM (Spanish)

Weds. & Fri. - 12:15 PM (English)

Reconciliation (Confesiones)

Saturday: 4:00 – 5:30 PM & by appt.

Parents, please be sensitive to the other parishioners. If your baby or child becomes restless, is speaking loudly or is noisy during the Mass, please take them outside to the hallway or to the Chapel.

Padres, por favor sean sensibles a los demás feligreses. Si su bebé o niño (a) se pone inquieto o hace ruido durante la Santa Misa, por favor llévelo afuera al pasillo o a la capilla.

Attention: Please remember to silence or turn off your cell phones & media devices before entering the church.

Parish Office Staff

Admin. Assistant-Nina Valdez Ext. 15
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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 prior to the planned wedding date. *Do not make any wedding arrangements prior.*

Baptisms

Prior to scheduling a Baptism, parents must schedule an appointment for an interview with Fr. Pedroza with 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

Annalinda Davila (956) 740-2921

Bible Reflection

Miguel Angel Rios (956) 236-1248

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Legion of Mary

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Finance Council

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Life Teen

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URGENT MESSAGE FROM FR. PEDROZA TO ALL MINISTRIES!

If you use the parish halls, classrooms and or kitchen for your events and meetings, we ask you to be more responsible. Please assign someone to ensure that the air conditioners and lights have been turned off and that the doors are LOCKED when you leave. If the kitchen was used, that it be left clean and the trash thrown. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and the caring of your parish.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALTH AND NEEDS OF:

Olga Alvarado	Jose S. Avila	
Teresita Cantu	Judy D. Castro	Albert Cortez
Albert I. Cortez	Juanita S. Cortez	Carmen Delgado
Carmen Erazo	S. Ewing	Lyndal Flores
Diana S. Garza	Sara S. Garza	Ana Laura Gonzalez
C.J. Guevara	Kendra Gutierrez	Juan Hernandez
Ruby Hernandez	Sandra Hernandez	Karina Herrera
Agustin Maldonado	Marta Maldonado	Fred Martinez Jr
Yoli Martinez	Jeannie C. Ochoa	Alfredo Ortiz
Magdalena Perez	Gilberto Piñon	Lucero Rangel
Socorro Rangel	Nora Reyes	Irma Reyna
Karina Rios	Julio Rivera	
Teresita Sifuentes	Desiree Silva & Fam.	Vitor Teniente
Diana Torres	Ma. Josefina Torres	Leti Valdez
Samson Valdez	Celia Villarreal	

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Show your mercy to your flock, by your healing grace, make them whole again. Grant them the gift of faith and hope so that they may always believe in you and your Word. Teach us to take time to thank you every day and ask for your guidance. Amen



There were no sponsors for the Altar Flowers this weekend.



The Sanctuary Candle will be burning this week for
 †Anita P. Sanchez
 In Memory of Her Birthday

Will you not stay with me one hour?

BE ONE WITH JESUS IN
Eucharist Adoration

Thursdays from 7 PM - 8 PM



"It isn't good to let our thoughts disturb us or worry us at all."

St. Teresa of Avila

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Saturday, July 22, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

**Familia Martinez-Gonzalez—Int. Esp.
 † Dra. Yolanda Rios**

Sunday, July 23, 2023

9:00 a.m. People of God

**12:00 p.m. † Freya Jaca † Majella Hontanar
 † Cresencia Hontanar**

2:30 p.m. Benditas Animas del Purgatorio

Monday, July 24, 2023 - No Mass Today

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

**12:15 p.m. Tony Valdez - Birthday Blessings
 † Anita P. Sanchez**

Wednesday, July 26, 2023

12:15 p.m. † Norma Blanca Caberoy

Thursday, July 27, 2023

12:15 p.m. † Marcos Valadez

Friday, July 28, 2023

**12:15 p.m. † Marco G. Castillo
 † Beatriz B. Perez**



♦ LAST	WEEK'S OFFERING	
Daily	\$ 365.07	Sat. 6:00 PM \$ 1,216.00
		Sun. 9:00 AM \$ 1,084.00
		Sun. 12:00 PM \$ 661.00
Online Giving	\$ 380.00	Sun. 2:30 PM \$ 633.00
EXPENSES THIS WEEK	\$11,528.45	TOTAL \$ 4,339.07

God of Salvation, we seek to be children of your heavenly kingdom. Yet, our self-deceiving ways cause us to believe that we will be more generous givers once we have satisfied our own personal, material desires. Change our thinking. Help us to be faithful disciples who recognize that everything we have in life is a gift from you. Inspire us to share our resources as a response to you unconditional love. Amen.

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

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Today's Gospel Reflection – Matthew 13: 24-43

Jesus offers parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and explains them to his disciples.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Reflexión del Evangelio de hoy – Mateo 13, 24-43

Jesús ofrece parábolas sobre el Reino de los Cielos y se las explica a sus discípulos.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús ofrece tres parábolas para describir el Reino de los Cielos. La primera parábola es más larga y detallada que las dos siguientes, y nos alerta sobre la doble realidad del Reino de los Cielos. Los comienzos del Reino de los Cielos se pueden encontrar en este mundo. El fruto del Reino de los Cielos, sin embargo, no se realizará hasta el juicio final. Mientras tanto, como advierte la explicación de Jesús a los discípulos, cualquier esfuerzo por juzgar el progreso del Reino de los Cielos es prematuro. Sólo Dios, en el juicio final, distinguirá el fruto del Reino de los Cielos y ofrecerá su recompensa.

La segunda y tercera parábolas llaman nuestra atención sobre la abundancia que resultará de los pequeños comienzos del Reino de los Cielos. Así como una semilla de mostaza, la más pequeña de todas las semillas, se convertirá en un arbusto grande, así también Dios hará que su Reino florezca por completo. Así como una pequeña cantidad de levadura fermentará toda la masa de pan, así también Dios llevará a cabo la expansión de su Reino. En cada caso la imagen es de la sobreabundancia que Dios saca hasta del más pequeño de los signos del Reino.

Dentro de estas parábolas hay palabras de advertencia así como palabras de consuelo. En la parábola del sembrador se nos advierte que no juzguemos a los demás. Juzgar y arrancar prematuramente la "cizaña" dañará al trigo; el juicio final recae en Dios. En las parábolas de la semilla de mostaza y la levadura, nos consuela el mensaje de que Dios puede hacer maravillas y producir abundancia incluso desde los comienzos más pequeños del Reino de los Cielos.

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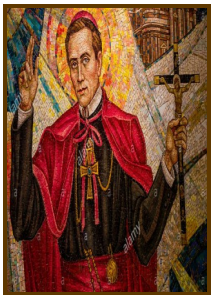
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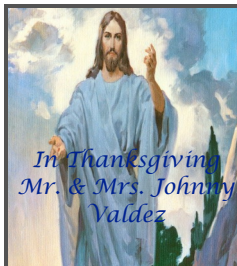
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ST. JOHN NEUMANN ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS

*Develop a relationship with the Lord while learning
 Beautiful prayer methods each week!*
*This workshop is **LIFE CHANGING!** Share the **GOOD NEWS!***

Prayer and Life Workshops help participants: deepen
 their prayer life, enter into a deeper relationship with the
 Lord through various prayer methods, become a friend
 and disciple of Christ

WHEN: **Monday, July 24th**

TIME: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

WHERE: St. John Neumann, classroom 5

The workshop is for 14 weeks. For more information,
 contact Rosa Gonzalez (956) 763-1083

♦ TALLERES DE ORACIÓN Y VIDA

La coordinación local de Talleres de Oración y Vida, te invi-
 tan a vivir una experiencia enriquecedora y gratificante,
 adentrándose en el profundo amor de Dios, dándose ele-
 mentos para establecer una relación más íntima con El, a
 través de diferentes formas de orar. Los talleres serán los
lunes de las 7:00-9:00 p.m. en el cuarto #3 y empezarán el
24 de julio durante 14 semanas. Para más información fa-
 vor de llamar a Josie Garcia (956) 744-2628

FINANCIAL STATEMENT & BUDGET

The financial statement for 2022-2023 has been posted on
 the bulletin board outside of the parish office, as well as the
 proposed budget for 2023-2024 for those of you that are
 interested in viewing it.

ESTADOS FINANCIEROS Y EL PRESUPUESTO

Por este medio se les informa que el reporte financiero 2022-
 2023 y el presupuesto para el año 2023-2024 se encuentran
 en el pizarrón de la entrada frente a la oficina para el que
 esté interesado en verlos.

God never tires of
 forgiving us; we are the
 ones who tire of
seeking his mercy,

POPE FRANCIS