

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> 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

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URGENT MESSAGE FROM FR. PEDROZA TO ALL MINISTRIES!

If you wish to use the parish halls, classrooms and or kitchen for your events and meetings, please contact the parish office to see if the date and room is available. I ask that you 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HEALTH AND NEEDS OF:

Olga Alvarado	Jose S. Avila	Teresita Cantu
J. J. Castillo	Jose Luis Castro	Judy D. Castro
Albert Cortez	Albert I. Cortez	Juanita S. Cortez
Carmen Delgado	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



The Altar Flowers this weekend are for **†Mr. & Mrs. J.O. Alvarez Sr.**
In Memory of Their Anniversary
By Their Family



The Sanctuary Candle this weekend is for the Health of **Freddy and Yoli Martinez**
By George Wirsching



Late Registration for 2023-2024 CCD Year
Faith Formation Office
Mon-Thurs, 1:30pm-6:30pm

Please note that the parent packets must be filled out, completed and signed. All required documents must be turned in, and the required fee of \$50.00 per child must be paid upon registering the student. Parents are responsible for collecting and turning in the required forms.

Classes this year will be held on Sundays!

Miss Linda Lucila Villarreal



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 26, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

† Sr. y † Sra. J.O. Alvarez

Sunday, August 27, 2023

9:00 a.m. † Marco G. Castillo

† Israel Reyna † Anna Maria Cazarez

12:00 p.m. People of God

2:30 p.m. † Sergio R. Gonzalez, Jr.

Monday, August 28, 2023 - No Mass Today

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

12:15 p.m. † Rosa Maria Lopez

† Ramiro y † Andrea Molina

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

12:15 p.m. Freddy & Yoli Martinez - Health

† Dr. Yolanda Mata Rios

Thursday, August 31, 2023

12:15 p.m. Freddy y Yoli Martinez - Salud

† Dra. Yolanda Mata Rios

Friday, September 1, 2023

12:15 p.m. Freddy & Yoli Martinez - Health

† Rev. Pacificus Birch OFM

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men."

Colossians 3:23



JESÚS LES PREGUNTÓ: «Y USTEDES, ¿QUIÉN DICEN QUE SOY YO? SIMÓN PEDRO TOMÓ LA PALABRA Y DIJO: TÚ ERES EL MESÍAS, EL HIJO DE DIOS VIVO.»

MATEO 16,15-16

◆ LAST	WEEK'S OFFERING	
Daily	\$ 140.52	Sat. 6:00 PM \$ 1,281.00
		Sun. 9:00 AM \$ 1,177.00
		Sun. 12:00 PM \$ 987.00
Online Giving	\$ 380.00	Sun. 2:30 PM \$ 664.00
EXPENSES THIS WEEK	\$ 1,970.98	TOTAL \$ 4,629.52

Merciful Lord, you have provided each of us with many similar, yet unique gifts. Thank you, Lord, for the talents and abilities of people within this congregation. We are a blessed people! Now, we unite as one body to share in this worshipful act of the offering. Giving is such a joy-filled experience! Thank you, Lord, for this opportunity to support the transformation of people's spiritual lives through the ministry and mission of this body of Christ. Amen.

Romans 12:1-8

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Today's Gospel Reflection – Matthew 16:13-20

Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Reflexión del Evangelio de hoy – Mateo 16, 13-20

Simón Pedro reconoce a Jesús como el Cristo y recibe la llave del Reino de los Cielos.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús pregunta a sus discípulos qué dice la gente sobre su identidad. Los discípulos indican que la mayoría de la gente cree que Jesús es un profeta de Israel. Entonces Jesús pregunta a sus discípulos quién creen que es él. Simón Pedro responde, identificando a Jesús como el Mesías, el Hijo de Dios.

Jesús encomia a Simón Pedro por esta profesión de fe, indicando que esta percepción ha venido de Dios. Por la respuesta de Simón Pedro, Jesús lo llama la "roca" sobre la cual Jesús edificará la Iglesia. Este es un juego de palabras con el nombre Pedro, que es la palabra griega para "roca". Entonces Jesús le da a Pedro una autoridad especial, una llave simbólica para el Reino de los Cielos. Peter desempeñará un papel importante en la comunidad cristiana primitiva como portavoz y líder.

En el Evangelio de hoy, el reconocimiento de Pedro de la identidad de Jesús se atribuye a una revelación de Dios. Esto contrastará fuertemente con la reprensión de Jesús a Pedro en el Evangelio de la próxima semana. Cuando Pedro rechaza la predicción de Jesús sobre su pasión y muerte, se dice que ya no piensa como Dios, sino como los humanos.

El uso del término iglesia en el Evangelio de hoy es uno de los tres casos en el Evangelio de Mateo. A Pedro en este Evangelio se le acredita como el fundamento de la Iglesia, un privilegio que se le otorga debido a su reconocimiento de la identidad de Jesús. La Iglesia continúa cimentada en la fe de que Jesucristo es el Señor.



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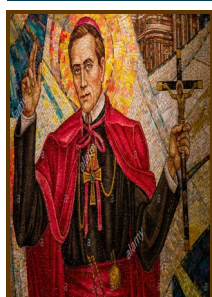
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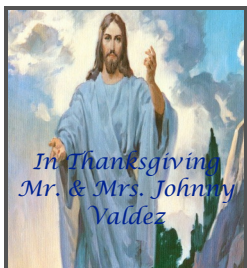
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God, our loving creator, we ask that you bless those who are involved in learning and in education. Watch over all who guide and teach and all who work in a school setting. May they be an inspiration to those they instruct. Watch over and guide all students, that they may be eager to learn, show dignity and compassion to others and to seek to always follow Jesus in their lives. May this school year be one in which all grow in wisdom, knowledge, understanding, love and compassion. St. Jean-Baptiste of France, Patron Saint of teachers intercede for all who are called to encourage and instruct others. St. Thomas Aquinas, Patron Saint of students, pray for all students to achieve their best potential. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Matthew 16:13-20

WHO do men
say that I AM?

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