St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church • New Taiton Diocese of Victoria in Texas

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Today is the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Week of

July 27, 2025

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. **Sunday**: 7:00 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 7:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

~ PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION ~

Sacrament of Baptism: If you are in need of a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office at (979) 543-6985.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples planning marriage should contact the Parish Office six months prior to the desired date at (979) 543-6985.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound: If a family member is sick and would like to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office at (979) 543-6985.

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. John's Church. Please fill out our census form located at the main entrance and return to the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions for this Week:

Monday, 07/28 No Mass Tuesday, 07/29 7:00 a.m. Joyce Kahanek and Clare Zapalac †

 Wednesday, 07/30
 7:00 a.m.
 Lydia Sablatura †

 Thursday, 07/31
 7:00 a.m.
 Leroy P. Supak †

 Friday, 07/01
 7:00 a.m.
 Scott Strnadel †

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Special Intention - Carson Crosby, Bruce Junek, Cindy Junek,

Barret Lynch and Kyle Riedel - healing (First Friday)

Saturday, 08/02 4:00 p.m. Edmund & Alice Socha †

Special Intention - Donald & Cindy Priesmeyer

Sunday, 08/03 7:00 a.m. Annie Fucik † 8:30 a.m. Parish Family

Emil Bilek †
W.C. Howard †
Marvin Sanders †

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Makala Merta, Elizabeth Koenig, Case Merta, Emily Koenig

Lector: Diann Srubar **Ushers:** Volunteer, Volunteer

Extraordinary Ministers: Lori Tupa, Garret Bubela

Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Sadie Hensley, Cooper Hensley, Savannah Hensley

Lector: Timothy Merta

Ushers: Rodney Dluhos, Volunteer

Extraordinary Ministers: Jon Bystrek, Sandi Bystrek

Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sacrificial Offering 07/20/2025 \$3,283.00 **BULLETIN SPONSOR** this week is Rose Ann Mitchell.

SANCTUARY LIGHT this week is in memory of Robert Kubala.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be in the home of Nick & Elizabeth Tupa for the months of July and August.

CRUCIFIX AND PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS will be in the home of Ben & Lena Tupa for the months of July and August. Please pray for vocations.

PRAYER THIS WEEK: Heavenly Father, if it is your divine will, inspire many of our youth to say "Yes" to your special calling to be priests, sisters and brothers. Amen. Serra International

JULY ALTAR DECORATORS: Connie Hlavaty, Lena Tupa, Elizabeth Tupa, Rose Ann Mitchell, Lori Tupa, Kathy Bubela, Megan Bubela, Dorothy Fiala, Jeanette Socha, Donna Korenek, Judy Venglar and Sarah Venglar. Your \$25 offering is due.

CCD REGISTRATION FORMS can be found on the table at the main entrance. CCD will begin on Wednesday, September 3rd at 6:00 p.m. If your child is in Grades 8-12 you will also need to fill out the Youth Permission Form/Medical Release Form.

2026 SCHEDULES for Bulletin Sponsor, Sanctuary Light, Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, Crucifix and Prayer for Vocations and Flowers for Monsignor Petru's Grave can be found in the notebook located at the main entrance. Bulletin Sponsor and Sanctuary Light are \$5.00 each.

"Make Your Home IN Me": The 1st El Campo Deanery Men's Retreat. Come join us for a weekend of fellowship and faith September 11th - 14th at the Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. Application can be found at the main entrance. For information contact Greg Janak (979) 533-3230, Steven Korenek (979) 637-7966 or Stephen Spanihel (979)758-4422.

PICNIC NEXT SUNDAY: Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Frelsburg Country Festival.

Flowers on the main altar are in memory of Kristi Sellers Baker.

PRO-LIFE CORNER: At conception a genetically unique individual begins life. This new life will consist of progressive stages of growth and development from conception through birth, childhood, adolescence, adulthood, old age and natural death. All that is needed is nourishment and time to grow. Abortion stops this natural progression of life.

Our Harvest Collection

begins August 1st. It takes the place of a picnic and includes **ALL** parishioners and anyone who wishes to contribute.

Meditation for the Week

"When we want something from a friend, whether it's something they have or a favor they could do for us, we normally just go ahead and ask. Jesus tells his disciples today that we should approach God the same way. He assures us that the Father in heaven listens to our prayers and that we should persist in prayer, for we are a needy people, ultimately dependent on God. Our lives are in God's hands and so we pray that God watches over us, forgives us, and has mercy on us, as we proclaim when praying how Jesus taught us." (Pastoral Patterns)

Genesis 18:20–32 Abraham bargained with God for the safety of the innocent.

Psalm 138 "Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me."

Colossians 2:12–14 God nailed our sins to the cross of Christ.

Luke 11:1–13 Jesus teaches us to pray and reminds us to persevere in prayer.

"Before we hear Jesus teach his disciples to pray, we see Abraham persistently petition God to show mercy toward the people of the city of Sodom. In the Gospel, Jesus confirms how important it is to show this kind of persistence. Our Father in heaven, Jesus teaches us, is generous beyond human generosity, having given the Holy Spirit to be with us always, and so we should freely ask for our needs, assured that we will be heard." (Pastoral Patterns)