

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH • NEW TAITON

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Week of
September 14, 2025

Today is the
Exaltation of the
Holy Cross.

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.

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| Mass Intentions for this Week: | | |
| Monday, 09/15 | No Mass | |
| Tuesday, 09/16 | 7:00 a.m. | Jerome Dorotik † Edwin Zapalac † |
| Wednesday, 09/17 | 7:00 a.m. | Mary Jane Martinez † Henry, Adela & Ronald Priesmeyer † |
| Thursday, 09/18 | 7:00 a.m. | Kathleen Bilicek Valenta † |
| Friday, 09/19 | 7:00 a.m. | Johnnie Krpec † |
| Saturday, 09/20 | 4:00 p.m. | Parish Family Mary Ann Dluhos † George Zernicek † Special Intention - Becky & Douglas Koudela 10 th Wedding Anniversary Special Intention - Living & deceased cancer patients of Wharton County Cares |
| Sunday, 09/21 | 7:00 a.m. | Josh Supak † Special Intention - Gus & Debbie Sohrt 50 th Wedding Anniversary |
| | 8:30 a.m. | Anton M. Havel † Harry Zboril † |

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: Sadie Hensley, Cooper, Hensley, Savannah Hensley
Lector: Beverly Hensley
Ushers: Lawrence Labay, Jr., Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Diann Srubar, Volunteer
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: Jackson Bystrek, Carson Bystrek, Hudson Bystrek, Kade Srubar
Lector: Timothy Merta
Ushers: Brad Tupa, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Chris Merta, Donna Merta
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Our Harvest Collection
for this week
\$1,750.00

Sacrificial Offering
09/7/2025
\$4,224.00

BULLETIN SPONSOR this week is Karen Zapalac.

SANCTUARY LIGHT this week is in memory of Edwin Zapalac.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be in the home of Robert & Connie Hlavaty for the months of September and October.

CRUCIFIX AND PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS will be in the home of Karen & Leroy Kaspar for the months of September & October. Please pray for vocations.

PRAYER THIS WEEK: O God, Who wish all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of Your truth: send, we beg You, laborers into Your harvest and grant them grace to speak Your word with all boldness so that Your word may spread and be glorified and all nations may know You, the only God and Him Whom You have sent Jesus Christ Your Son, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

SEPTEMBER ALTAR DECORATORS: Brenda Dornak, Lennie Blaha, Jane Blaha, Judy Sefcik, Mary Jo Beery, Becky Dluhos, Sue Dluhos, Diane Dluhos, Gayla Dluhos, Daphne Dluhos, Janice Riedel, Courtney Schiurring, Laura Glaze and Celia Glaze. Your \$25 offering is due.

CCD CLASSES on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall.

OUR HARVEST COLLECTION has begun. It takes the place of a picnic and includes all parishioners and anyone who wishes to contribute.

PICNIC (TODAY) SUNDAY: St. Joseph Church in Inez 152nd Annual Picnic and Holy Cross Church in Yorktown Annual Festival. **PICNICS NEXT SUNDAY:** Holy Rosary Church in Rosenberg 89th Annual Bazaar and St. Joseph’s Parish in Moulton Church Picnic.

TAITON COMMUNITY CENTER FALL FESTIVAL

will be held on Sunday, October 5th at the Taiton Community Center. Serving turkey, homemade dressing, corn, green beans and cranberries. Serving starts at 11:00 a.m. Dine-In or Plates To Go - \$15.00.

Meditation for the Week

“By his crucifixion, Jesus transformed the cross from a profane instrument of execution to a symbol of triumph. Jesus sanctified the cross, making it holy, by sacrificing his life to win our salvation. We exalt the holy cross in a special way today, but we also exalt it every time we make the sign of the cross to express and bear witness to our faith. May the cross be a sign for us of Christ’s power to overcome death and give new life.” (Pastoral Patterns)

Numbers 21:4b–9 Moses fashions a saraph and mounts it on a pole.

Psalms 78 "Do not forget the works of the Lord!"

Philippians 2:6–11 Jesus emptied himself for our salvation.

John 3:13–17 God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son.

“In today’s first reading, God has Moses make a bronze serpent, mount it on a pole, and lift it up so that those who were bitten by venomous snakes could look upon it and live. Centuries later, Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man must be lifted up in a similar way so that all who look upon him as their salvation will live. On this feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, let us consider that what Jesus did for us on the cross to save our immortal souls recalls what God had Moses do in the desert to save the Chosen People’s mortal lives.” (Pastoral Patterns)