

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH • NEW TAITON
DIOCESE OF VICTORIA IN TEXAS**

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**Week of
November 30, 2025**

Today is the
First Sunday
of Advent.

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, 12/01	No Mass	
Tuesday, 12/02	7:00 a.m.	Elsie Stavinoha †
Wednesday, 12/03	7:00 a.m.	Clarine Gold †
Thursday, 12/04	7:00 a.m.	Bart Baca †
Friday, 12/05	7:00 a.m.	Special Intention - Carson Crosby, Chris Juneke, Cindy Juneke, Barret Lynch and Kyle Riedel - healing (First Friday)
Saturday, 12/06	4:00 p.m.	Robert Dornak † Bob Staff † Special Intention - Fr. Gabriel 28 th Anniversary to the Priesthood
Sunday, 12/07	7:00 a.m.	Milan Krutilek † Gladys Labay †
	8:30 a.m.	Parish Family Marian Hobizal † Doris Pfeil †

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Simone Riha, Hudson Riha, Vanessa Riha
Lector: Cassie Clark
Ushers: Volunteer, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Tommy Drapela, Volunteer
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Devin Treybig, Darcy Treybig, Dacie Treybig
Lector: Keith Kresta
Ushers: Rodney Dluhos, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Leroy Kaspar, Karen Kaspar
Rosary prayed before Mass.

*Our Harvest Collection
for this week
\$2,500.00*

**Sacrificial Offering
11/23/2025
\$2,492.00**

BULLETIN SPONSORS this week are Brad & Lori Tupa.

SANCTUARY LIGHT this week is in honor of Judy & Bob Venglar 57th Wedding Anniversary.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be in the home of Nick & Elizabeth Tupa for the months of November & December.

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

DECEMBER ALTAR DECORATORS: Karen Kaspar, Lenice Kaspar, Donna Kaspar, Jean Merck, Wanda Dorotik, Jeanine Stehling, Amanda Dorotik, Vanessa Rod, Dobie Rod, Cheryl Roach, Becky Hardin, Ashley Koudela and Candice Mills. Your \$25 offering is due.

DECEMBER FLOWERS FOR MONSIGNOR PETRU'S GRAVE: Ronnie & Reneau Gold

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

2026 SUPPORT ENVELOPES AND PARISH CALENDARS can be found at each entrance.

ST. JOHN'S GAMES PARTY NEXT SUNDAY at the Taiton Community Center. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Parishioners have always been so generous in providing food for the kitchen, silent auction items and door prizes. We again rely on your generosity. We appreciate any donation you wish to make. We will again have a BIG silent auction instead of a big auction so please bring bigger and nicer items. Also we will again have a 50/50 raffle instead of a mini raffle. A visit by Mr. & Mrs. Claus at 4:00 p.m. Proceeds benefit the youth of St. John's. Raffle tickets can be found at each entrance.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS will be taken up next weekend at all Masses.

SPECIAL ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS will be taken up the weekend of December 13th & 14th at all Masses.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Volunteers are needed for Christmas and New Year Masses. If you are able to help, please place your name on the schedules provided at the main entrance.

DID I PAY MY 2025

HARVEST COLLECTION, DSA, ALTAR SOCIETY
DUES & FRYERS, NO BAKE CAKE SALE DONATION
AND MY \$25 FOR ALTAR FLOWERS
FOR THE MONTH I AM ASSIGNED?

Meditation for the Week

"During this season of anticipation, we are reminded that Jesus didn't come into the world only once, as a newborn baby over two thousand years ago, but also comes into the world—and our hearts—throughout our lives. Furthermore, as we hear in today's Gospel, he will return to the world without warning on the day of judgment. Therefore, over the Advent season we have a great incentive to prepare our hearts for his coming. May Jesus' words to his disciples resonate with us today: "You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."" (Pastoral Patterns)

Isaiah 2:1-5 They shall beat their swords into plowshares.

Psalms 122 "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."

Romans 13:11-14 Now is the hour to awake from sleep.

Matthew 24:37-44 The Son of Man will come at an hour you least expect.

"Jesus paints a scary picture of his second coming in today's Gospel, warning his disciples to be ready always. We too must prepare ourselves, not only for his return at any time, but also for his coming into our hearts in a deeper way at a time we least expect. The words of the prophet Isaiah and the apostle Paul can help. "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ," Paul says, or, as Isaiah puts it, "Let us walk in the light of the Lord." May God's word inspire us to prepare our hearts so that we may all "go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."" (Pastoral Patterns)