

**Prayer of Pope Francis  
to the Blessed Virgin Mary**



*Mary, Virgin and Mother,  
you who, moved by the Holy Spirit,  
welcomed the word of life  
in the depths of your humble faith:  
as you gave yourself completely to the Eternal One,  
help us to say our own "yes"  
to the urgent call, as pressing as ever,  
to proclaim the good news of Jesus.*

*Filled with Christ's presence,  
you brought joy to John the Baptist,  
making him exult in the womb of his mother.  
Brimming over with joy,  
you sang of the great things done by God.  
Standing at the foot of the cross  
with unyielding faith,  
you received the joyful comfort of the resurrection,  
and joined the disciples in awaiting the Spirit  
so that the evangelizing Church might be born.*

*Obtain for us now a new ardour born of the resurrection,  
that we may bring to all the Gospel of life  
which triumphs over death.*

*Give us a holy courage to seek new paths,  
that the gift of unfading beauty  
may reach every man and woman.*

*Virgin of listening and contemplation,  
Mother of love, Bride of the eternal wedding feast,  
pray for the Church, whose pure icon you are,  
that she may never be closed in on herself  
or lose her passion for establishing God's kingdom.*

*Star of the new evangelization,  
help us to bear radiant witness to communion,  
service, ardent and generous faith,  
justice and love of the poor,  
that the joy of the Gospel  
may reach to the ends of the earth,  
illuminating even the fringes of our world.  
Mother of the living Gospel,  
wellspring of happiness for God's little ones,*



**Saturday, May 7**

4:00 PM †Stephen Miller by mom, Terry Kretler

**Sunday, May 8**

8:00 AM For our Mothers (Living and Deceased)

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM Para Nuestras Madres (Vivas y Difuntas)

**Monday, May 9**

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Tuesday, May 10**

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Wednesday, May 11**

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Thursday, May 12**

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Friday, May 13**

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

**Saturday, May 14**

4:00 PM Mother's Day Novena

**Sunday, May 15**

8:00 AM Special Intention

10:30 AM Mother's Day Novena

12:15 PM Pro Populo

*Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are located in the foyer of the church.*

**Anointing of the Sick**



*Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use in order to visit and administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orosco at the Church Office*



*Prayer Requests*

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Richard Collier          | Nick Morales, Sr.   |
| Richard Lozano Sr.       | Jack Sikors         |
| Mike Gonzales            | Raul Rivera         |
| Amalia Ibarra            | Brenda Newburn      |
| Ma. Mercedes Sanchez     | Henry Taft          |
| Kenneth Elliott          | Martha Kasper       |
| Jennifer Whitehouse      | Edgar Reyes         |
| Odilia Vargas            | Mason Gumler        |
| Patricia Reyes           | Felipa Garcia       |
| Stanley Quist            | Joe Wages           |
| Paul Gumler              | Donna Lain          |
| Jimmy Blasingame         | Margarito Soto      |
| Rosario Rodriguez        | William Mellon      |
| Cindy Kinkaid            | Laurie Rangel       |
| Rosann Kinkaid           | Olivia Nicole Yates |
| Mayra Anguiano           | Erica Vargas        |
| Michelle Elliott         | Margaret Wages      |
| Patti Sikors Garrett     | Sheila Wages        |
| Yamileth Martinez        | Maricela Chavez     |
| Warren Terry             | Sergio Morales      |
| Frances Aguirre          | Lucio Lopez         |
| Rosa Esperanza Ramirez   | Johnnie B. Malouf   |
| Crystal Sanchez          | Linda Torres        |
| Susana Olvera            | Clemente Medina     |
| Nancy Bardsley           | Luis Meza           |
| Barbara Sikors Hendricks | Pascual Meza        |
| Oscar Ramirez Robles     | Lucy Krouskop       |
| Deacon Leo Rener         | Theresa Lyon        |
| Araceli Ramirez Lopez    | Maria Guillen       |
| Crystal & Paige          | Ann Glynn           |
| James Dean               | Sharon Price        |
| John "Sonny" Jones       | Lee Wilde           |
| Bill Blankenship         | Elaine Kasper       |

**THE WEEK AHEAD  
IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, May 9**

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|---------|--------------------------------------|
| 8:00 AM | Daily Mass                           |
| 1:00 PM | Crochet Ministry at Casa St. John    |
| 7:00 PM | Grupo de Oración en la Casa St. John |
| 7:00 PM | Confessions for First Communions     |

**Tuesday, May 10**

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| 8:00 AM   | Daily Mass                                   |
| 6-6:30 PM | Confessions                                  |
| 6:30 PM   | RE evening classes                           |
| 6:30 PM   | Pláticas Bíblicas para Adultos-Casa St. John |
| 7:00 PM   | Confessions for Confirmation                 |

**Wednesday, May 11**

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| 8:00 AM | Daily Mass         |
| 6:30 PM | RE evening classes |

**Thursday, May 12**

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| 8:00 AM   | Daily Mass                                 |
| 6-6:30 PM | Confessions                                |
| 7:00 PM   | Knights of Columbus meeting in Parish Hall |

**Friday, May 13**

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| 8:00 AM | Daily Mass        |
| 7:00 PM | Confirmation Mass |

**Saturday, May 14**

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| 6:00 PM | First Holy Communions |
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**Last Week's Collection**

Last Week's Collection:	7,159.95
2 <sup>nd</sup> Coll. (Parish Improvement Fund):	3,444.67
FY'15-16 Budgeted Average:	6,400.00
FY'15-16 Average Sunday Coll. thru 04/30/16:	6,299.05
Attendance:	915

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**Knights of Columbus**

Meeting

The KC will meet *Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup>* at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Coffee and Donuts

We have coffee and donuts after the 8:00am Mass in the Parish Hall

**Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of  
May 14/15**

**Lectors:**

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| Sat. 4:00pm  | Debbie Patterson/Melody Zimmer  |
| Sun. 8:00am  | Linda Faulkner/Marianne Marsden |
| Sun. 10:30am | Lou Roberts/Tammy Guerra        |

**Ushers:**

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| Sat. 4:00pm  | Paul Mathers*/Sherry G./Michael G./Debbie P. |
| Sun. 8:00am  | David Bendele*/Robert B./Wayne M./Rachel H.  |
| Sun. 10:30am | Steven Hernandez*/Kevin P./Dennis C./Erik A. |

**Extraordinary Ministers**

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| Sat. 4:00pm  | Rod Kinkaid/Joyce Salisbury/Rick Salisbury  |
| Sun. 8:00am  | Marianne Marsden/Mary Pat Samuels   |
| Sun. 10:30am | Shelilah Dean/Bud McClure/Lou Roberts<br>Donna Roberts/Martha Aranda/Bill Redrick |

# Religious Education News...

## Religious Education Calendar for May:

- **Sunday Classes:** 15<sup>th</sup> (last class of the school year). No classes on Mother's Day May 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Tuesday Classes:** 10<sup>th</sup> (last class of the school year).
- **Wednesday Classes:** 11<sup>th</sup> (last class of the school year).

## Confirmation Masses

The Confirmation Mass for students in Grade 8 will be celebrated on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm.

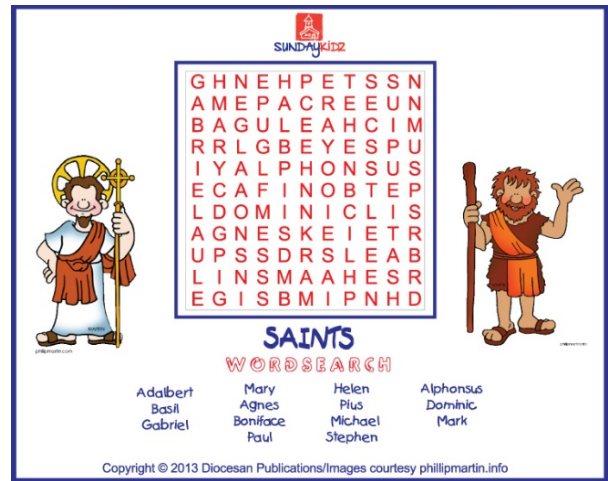
The Confirmation Mass for High School students will be celebrated on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. Students in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation class who have a sibling in the High School Confirmation class will be confirmed with their sibling on May 20<sup>th</sup>.



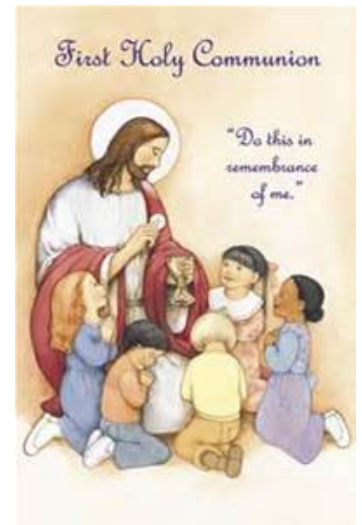
*The newly confirmed students will be honored at a reception in the Parish hall after each of the Confirmation Masses.*

**This is the remaining schedule for First Reconciliation, Rehearsal and First Communion for 2016:**

- ✓ **Grade 3, Tuesday evening:**
  - *First Reconciliation and Rehearsal:* Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm.
  - *First Communion:* Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm.
- ✓ **Grade 4, Tuesday evening:**
  - *First Reconciliation and Rehearsal:* Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 3:30pm.
  - *First Communion:* Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 6pm.



Students making First Communion on **Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**, are making their First Reconciliation on **Sunday, May 9<sup>st</sup>**. Parents are to stay with their child during this time; this is not a “drop off” event. It will start at 3:30pm in the Church with a practice for First Communion and a review of how to go to confession. Fr. Orosco will speak with the children and their parents before he starts to hear their confession. Parents may leave after their child has made his/her confession and completed the penance that Fr. gave in confession.



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**Registration for next year's Religious Education classes begins in May 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**For students currently enrolled in RE classes and their siblings registering for Kindergarten:**

- Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, after all Masses in the Parish Hall.
- Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 5pm – 8pm, in the office.
- Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 10am – 2pm, in the office.
- Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 10am – 2pm, in the office.
- Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2pm – 5pm, in the office.
- Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2pm – 5pm, in the office.

**For New Students and those not currently registered in RE classes:**

- Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, after all Masses
- Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 5pm – 8pm.
- Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 5pm – 8pm.

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Safety Classes for Children



The Diocese of Dallas requires that Personal Safety classes are presented to the children attending Religious Education classes and children attending Catholic Schools. These classes will be presented to the students at St. John the Apostle during the last class of the year. Letters will be sent home with the students informing the parents of the content of the presentation. Each class will be taught by the Catechists that have taught the children during the year. Parents have the right to "opt" their child out of the class by signing and returning the letter to the Religious Education office prior to the class.

PRÉSTAME MADRE TUS OJOS



Préstame, Madre, tus ojos para con ellos mirar, porque si por ellos miro nunca volveré a pecar.

Préstame, Madre, tus labios para con ellos rezar, porque si con ellos rezo Jesús me podrá escuchar.

Préstame, Madre, tu lengua para poder comulgar pues es tu lengua patena de amor y de santidad.

Préstame, Madre, tus brazos para poder trabajar, que así rendirá el trabajo una y mil veces más.

Préstame, Madre, tu manto para cubrir mi maldad pues cubierto con tu manto al cielo he de llegar.

Préstame, Madre a tu Hijo

para poderlo yo amar, si tú me das a Jesús, ¿qué más puedo yo desear? Y esa será mi dicha por toda la eternidad.

Pláticas Bíblicas para Adultos

Tenemos Pláticas Bíblicas para Adultos cada martes a las 6:30pm en la Casa San Juan con el Diacono Mario Sánchez.



Grupo de Oración



El Grupo de Oración se reúnen cada lunes a las 7:00pm en la Casa St. John.

Noticias de la Doctrina

Calendario para Mayo:

Clases de Domingos: 15 (el último día del año escolar). No hay clases el 8 de mayo (Día de las Madres) Clases de Martes: 10 (el último día del año escolar) Clases de Miércoles: 11 (el último día del año escolar)

Misas de la Confirmación

La Misa de la Confirmación para los estudiantes en grado 8 será celebrada el viernes, 13 de mayo a las 7:00pm.



La Misa de la Confirmación para los estudiantes de la high school será celebrada el viernes, 20 de mayo a las 7:00pm. Los estudiantes en el grado 8 de las clases de confirmación quienes tengan hermanas en la clase de confirmación en la high school serán confirmados con sus hermanos el viernes, 20 de mayo.

Habrà una recepción en el Salón Parroquial para los estudiantes recién confirmados después de cada Misa de Confirmación.

Primeras Comuniones y Primera Reconciliación



Las misas de las Primeras Comuniones y Primera Reconciliaciones tomarán lugar en la Iglesia en los siguientes días:

Grado 3, clase de los martes:

Primera Reconciliación: Lunes, 9 de mayo a las 6pm en la Iglesia Primera Comunión: Sábado, 14 de mayo a las 6pm en la Iglesia

Grado 4, clase de los martes:

Primera Reconciliación: Domingo, 15 de mayo a las 2:30pm en la Iglesia

Primera Comunión: Sábado, 21 de mayo a las 6pm en la Iglesia

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**Inscripciones para las clases de Doctrina empiezan en Mayo:  
Para estudiantes que están actualmente registrados este año y  
sus hermanos que estarán en Kinder:**

- Domingo, 22 de mayo después de todas las Misas–Salón Parroquial
- Martes, 24 de mayo de 5-8pm en la oficina
- Miércoles, 25 de mayo de 10am-2pm en la oficina
- Jueves, 26 de mayo de 10am-2pm en la oficina
- Miércoles, 1 de junio de 2-5pm en la oficina
- Jueves, 2 de junio de 2-5pm en la oficina

**Para estudiantes (nuevos) que no están actualmente  
registrados en la Doctrina:**

- Domingo, 5 de junio después de todas las Misas–Salón Parroquial
- Martes, 7 de junio de 5-8pm en la oficina
- Miércoles, 8 de junio de 5-8pm en la oficina