These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day’s burden and the heat.

Walk with the Poor Charity Event

The St Vincent De Paul Society is conducting a charity walk at the University of Dallas on September 30th, 2017. All of the proceeds that are donated to our team (Kaufman County Angels) will come back to our local conference and be spent helping fellow citizens of Kaufman County. So far in 2017, we have assisted close to 100 families throughout Kaufman County with food, rent payments, utility assistance, furniture, etc. We serve God by serving those less fortunate than ourselves.

The simple fact is that the more money we have the more people we can help. We are asking all those living in Kaufman County consider making a pledge and a small donation for this charity walk. The link in order to donate to the team is https://www.fopwalk.org/walker/40340. At this website you can make any size donation that you wish. Better yet, register as a walker and come walk a few miles with us! Your donation is tax deductible and this would also be an excellent way for a local business, large or small, to help the community. If you are interested in participating in this event, or have any questions feel free to call Michael Hall at 469-585-5467. Thank you for your consideration!

Knights of Columbus - 2017 Scholarship Winners

1) Manuel Garcia
2) Cynthia Aguirre
3) Erik Aranda
4) Samantha Hernandez

Please see Norma at the Parish Center to pick up “Scholarship Donor Form”. Please fill out and return to Parish Center for processing.

Saturday, September 23
4:00 PM †Aline Duca by Rev. J. Orosco

Sunday, September 24
8:00 AM Pro Populo
10:30 AM †Juan Carlos Valle by Parents
12:15 PM Juan & Patricia Reyes Int. de unos Amigos

Tuesday, September 26
8:00 AM Elaine Kasper by James & Melody Zimmer

Thursday, September 28
8:00 AM †Dale Weaver by Dale & Jean Thompson

Friday, September 29
8:00 AM Special Intention

Saturday, September 30
4:00 PM Cecil Ovalle by the Caballero Family

Sunday, October 1
8:00 AM Rosann & Rod Kinkaid – In Honor of their 64th Wedding Anniversary (6-18) by Frank & Elaine Kasper
10:30 AM Pro Populo
12:15 PM †Jose Luis Navarrete Int. de Rebeca Navarrete

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.

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 at (972) 563-3643 so that I may be of assistance.
Prayer Requests

Richard Collier
Richard Lozano Sr.
Mike Gonzales
Nancy Bardsley
Curtis Rushing
Deacon Leo Rener
David Salinas
Paul Gumler
Olivia Nicole Yates
Stanley Quist
Sonia Rodriguez Cadena
Brenda Larsen
Carol Dossy
Cindy Kinkaid
Rosann Kinkaid
Juan Cleto Castillo
Patti Sikors Garrett
Angel Gabriel Godinez
Tomas Samuel Garcia
Barbara Sikors Hendricks
Maria Mercedes Gaytán
Ma. del Refugio Mendoza
Marianne Marsden
Connie Schroeder
Daniel Gonzales
Luisa Regina Ramírez Pérez
Jovita De la Garza
Leslie Erickson
Judy Aloi
Bob Harris
Juanita Ruiz
Felipe Caballero
Maria Guillen
Carol Lipe
Matt Harris
Richard Collier
Nick Morales, Sr.
Lee Wilde
James Dean
Brenda Newburn
Henry Taft
Jesus Arteaga
Jose Ivan Ramirez
Mason Gumler
Felipe Garcia
Joe Wages
Erica Vargas
Margaret Wages
Sheila Wages
Kevin Huggins
Johnnie B. Malouf
Pascual Meza
Robert Repka, Sr.
Michelle Elliott
Crystal Sanchez
JoAnn Martinez
Warren Terry
Elmer Marsden
Odin Kizer
Claire Taft
Jackie Petricka
Claudia Aronoff
Efrain Valenzuela
Colleen Eldred
Shirley Taft
Jose Aramil
Cameron Sutton
Hilaria Hernandez
Daniel Guillen
Blaine Miller
Frank Kasper

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of September 30/October 1

Lectors:
Sat. 4:00pm Debbie Patterson/Suzy McCook
Sun. 8:00am Lou Roberts
Sun. 10:30am Karie Hammond/Bud McClure

Extraordinary Ministers
Sat. 4:00pm Suzy McCook/Karen Mathers/Michael Gumler
Sun. 8:00am Chris Probst/Dan Probst
Robin Truett/Mary Pat Samuels
Sun. 10:30am Bill Bedrick/Argie Benavidez
Sheliah Dean/Tammy Guerra

Ushers:
Sat. 4:00pm Debbie Patterson*/Sherry G./Paul M./Volunteer
Sun. 8:00am David Bendele*/Robert B./Wayne M./Rachel H.
Sun. 10:30am Dennis Connolly*/Steve H./Richard Jr./Erik A.

Sunday, September 24
9:15 AM R.E. classes

Monday, September 25
1:00 PM Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John
7:00 PM Grupo de Oración en la Casa St. John
7:00 PM Finance Council meeting @ Parish Center

Tuesday, September 26
8:00 AM Daily Mass
6:30 PM R.E. classes

Wednesday, September 27
8:00 AM NO Daily Mass
6:30 PM R.E. classes
6:45 PM Hora Santa

Thursday, September 28
8:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 PM RCIA @ Parish Center

Friday, September 29
8:00 AM Daily Mass

Calendar for September:
Sunday Classes: 24th
Tuesday Classes: 26th
Wednesday Classes: 27th

Calendar for October:
Sunday Classes: 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, & 29th
Tuesday Classes: 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th (no classes on 31st)
Wednesday Classes: 4th, 11th, 18th, & 25th
The Twenty-Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

For the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time we receive the powerful parable about the landlord who represents God's way of caring for us. Though workers go out into his vineyard at various times of the day, he pays them all the same. When they grumble, he simply explains that he desires to be generous. How this can change our view of God and our own sense of justice?

This week we celebrate the Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, priest, the Feast of Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel and Saint Raphael, archangels, and the Memorial of Saint Jerome, priest and doctor of the Church.

The first reading this week comes from the Book of Ezra, one of the first chroniclers of the post-exile period of Judaism. He is responsible for helping hold the restored people together. We finish the week with brief selections from the prophets Haggai and Zechariah, who were prophets during this period. “Consider your ways!” “My spirit continues in your midst; do not fear!”

In Luke’s Gospel, Jesus urges us to use our gifts: “No one lights a lamp and hides it under a bushel basket.” When his family comes looking for him, Jesus uses the occasion to tell us that we are family to him, if we hear his Word and act on it. Herod is wondering who Jesus really is. He encourages his Apostles to freedom, sending them out to teach and heal, taking nothing with them. Jesus asks his disciples who they think he is. Peter replies for them all, “The Christ of God.” Jesus doesn’t want them to announce he’s the type of Messiah they were looking for. Instead, he tells them of his upcoming passion and death.

Daily Prayer This Week

This is a great week to be reminded that the call to be a Christian is not a simple path. We are called to serve boldly and without worrying about material needs. This week's readings have a clear call for us to examine how we share God's love for us with others.

How do we do such serious reflection when it seems we don't have time for it? We can be “contemplatives in action” by beginning our day with a desire, letting that desire come to our consciousness throughout the day in the “background” moments, and by giving thanks for what graces we received at the end of the day.

How do we come up with the desire? The first step to finding “intimacy with God in the midst of our daily lives” is to develop the habit of naming a desire for the day, while we are still just getting started with the day, before our concentration becomes pre-occupied with the worries of the day. These guides can help by suggesting desires that flow from the readings of the week, but the best desires are in the very needs and anxieties that are deep in our hearts. That is where God is working in us, revealing things we can turn over to the Lord and form into a prayer. It can often be just 45 seconds, when we throw on a robe or slippers, or while in the shower or getting dressed. It is deep prayer if we can just say, “Help me, today, Lord. My day is so full. Give me courage, and let me know you are with me all day.”

We can use the readings of the week in a variety of ways. We can take a day to imagine being part of Jesus’ family, with a desire to hear his word and keep it. We can let Jesus address us one day this week, asking us who we say he is. The words don't need to be complicated - it's just starting conversation with God who loves you deeply, then listening.

Gracious God, I ask you to heal me today as you healed so many others. Bless my eyes that I might appreciate all that I see around me; and my mouth that I may not judge others and speak harshly of them. And bless my feet as you send me on this journey of grace in my life each day.
MIS PENSAMIENTOS NO SON LOS PENSAMIENTOS DE USTEDES

El mundo toma en cuenta varios aspectos para considerar si el pago por un trabajo realizado es justo o no lo es: cantidad producida, tiempo empleado, calidad, grado de especialización…

- Pero Jesús va más allá y no se queda en lo superficial. Considera a la persona y sus circunstancias. Al final Dios dará lo justo a cada uno, de manera irrefutable.
- Dios no es como los hombres, él siempre cumple lo que promete. Nosotros somos los que con frecuencia nos creemos falsas expectativas.

Dios ofrece la vida eterna a todos los que quieran trabajar para él en su viña.

Hora Santa

Todos están invitados a la Hora Santa cada miércoles a las 6:45pm. Nos reunimos en la Iglesia para darle honra a Jesús Sacramento.

Clases de Pre-Bautismales

El Padre Orosco ofrece las Pláticas Pre-Bautismales cada primer sábado del mes a las 6:00 pm. Favor de llamar a la oficina (972-563-3643) para obtener la hoja de registro.

NO TENDREMOS LAS PLÁTICAS EN EL MES DE DICIEMBRE.

Grupo de Oración

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

Unción de los Enfermos

Si usted o alguien que usted conozca está necesitado en recibir comunión o el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos favor de llamar al Padre Orosco en la oficina de la Iglesia al número 972-563-3643.

Los Caballeros de Colon

Felicitaciones a los siguientes ganadores de becas 2017:
1) Manuel Garcia
2) Cynthia Aguirre
3) Erik Aranda
4) Samantha Hernandez

Favor de venir a la oficina de la Iglesia para levantar la forma de becas. Favor de llenarla y devolverla a la oficina de la Iglesia para procesarla.