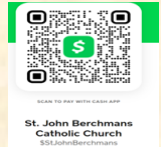


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Venmo

Welcoming and liturgical community celebrating the spiritual needs of God's people in the spirit of St. John Berchmans.
"My penance is to live the common life. I will pay greatest attention to the least inspiration of God." - St. John Berchmans

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Monday-Friday 9am-5pm
Saturday 10am-2pm

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Saturday Vigil 5pm-English
Sunday 9am-Bilingual
Sunday 11am-English

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Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 12 Noon

School Mass:

Wednesdays 8:15am (School Calendar)

Holy Days of Obligation:

Bilingual Mass at 7pm

Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00pm or by appointment

Adoration:

Every Thursday 9am-5pm

Baptisms/Quinceañeras/Sweet 16:

Please contact office for more information

Baptism Classes:

Please contact office for more information

Weddings:

Father Fidèle Dikete, Pastor
Please make an appointment
six months in advance.

CCD:

Sunday 9:30am – 12 Noon

Good Samaritans of SJB:

Monday and Friday; 3pm - 5pm

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OCTOBER 20, 2024 - 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MISUNDERSTANDING JESUS

Throughout this part of Ordinary Time, Mark's Gospel tracks the disciples' progressive misunderstanding about Jesus' mission and the nature of discipleship. We heard Jesus make two predictions about his Passion on Sundays in September, and just before today's Gospel episode, Jesus informed the Twelve: "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and hand him over to the Gentiles who will mock him, spit upon him, scourge him, and put him to death, but after three days he will rise" (Mark 10:33-34). Despite Jesus' three predictions and his definition of "glory" and "power" as serving others in humility, James and John still imagine Jesus as bound for a glorious earthly messiahship. How moving that Jesus, rather than scolding James and John as he had previously rebuked Peter, instead begins teaching them patiently, "You do not know what you are asking" (10:38).

SELF-EXAMINATION

Knowing that Jesus' throne of glory is also a "throne of grace," from which Jesus bestows "mercy and grace for timely help" (Hebrews 4:16), today's Gospel suggests sincere self-examination: How do we approach Jesus and make our requests? What do we ask for: what Jesus wants us to do or, like James and John today, do we demand "whatever we want" from Jesus? Does the world in which we live and work focus our hearts on glory to the right and power on the left? Or does "the cup we drink," "the baptism" we've received inspire us to gladly become servants of all, like the Jesus who has made us his disciples? Do we also avoid imitating the "indignant ten" other Apostles who rebuked James and John? Or are we also quick to see the errors of others and rash in passing judgment on them? How do we live in response to Jesus who gave his life "as a ransom for many"?

TODAY'S READINGS: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

LA INCOMPRESIÓN DE JESÚS

En esta parte extensa del Tiempo Ordinario, El Evangelio de Marcos sigue la pista a la progresiva incomprensión de los discípulos sobre la misión de Jesús y la naturaleza del discipulado. En los domingos de septiembre, escuchamos a Jesús hacer dos predicciones acerca de su Pasión, y justo antes del relato del Evangelio de hoy, Jesús les dijo a los Doce: "He aquí que subimos a Jerusalén, y el Hijo del hombre será entregado a los sumos sacerdotes y a los escribas, y lo condenarán a muerte y lo entregarán a los paganos, que se burlarán de él, lo escupirán, lo azotarán y lo matarán, pero después de tres días resucitará" (Marcos 10:33-34). A pesar de las tres predicciones y su definición de "gloria" y "poder" como servicio a los demás con humildad, Santiago y Juan siguen imaginando a Jesús como destinado a un glorioso mesías terrenal. Qué conmovedor es que Jesús, en lugar de regañar a Santiago y Juan como había reprendido antes a Pedro, comience a enseñarles con paciencia: "No saben lo que piden" (10:38).

AUTOEXAMEN

Sabiendo que el trono de gloria de Jesús es también un "trono de gracia", desde el que Jesús otorga "misericordia y gracia para la ayuda oportuna" (Heb 4:16), el Evangelio de hoy sugiere un autoexamen sincero: "¿Cómo nos acercamos a Jesús y le hacemos nuestras peticiones? ¿Qué pedimos, lo que Jesús quiere que hagamos o, como Santiago y Juan hoy, exigimos a Jesús "lo que queremos"? El mundo en el que vivimos y trabajamos centra nuestro corazón en la gloria a la derecha y el poder a la izquierda? ¿O "el cáliz que bebemos", "el bautismo" que hemos recibido nos inspira a convertirnos gustosamente en servidores de todos, como el Jesús que nos ha hecho sus discípulos? ¿Evitamos también imitar a los otros "diez indignados" apóstoles que reprendieron a Santiago y Juan? ¿O también nos apresuramos a ver los errores de los demás y nos precipitamos a juzgarlos? ¿Cómo vivimos en respuesta a Jesús que dio su vida "en rescate por muchos"?

LECTURAS DE HOY: Is 53:10-11; Sal 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mc 10:35-45



Please Pray for the Sick

Prayer List Updates



Sarah Contreras	Gloria Rubio	Baby Petra
Marty Carrera Tobias	Lisa Brown	Antonia Degollado
Frances Lozano	Rebecca Zuniga	Zachary Lopez
Irma Urias	Rosa Elva Villaseñor	Joseph Vasquez
Mary S. Martinez	Lupe Gomez	Vanessa Gomez
Galilea Romero	Angie Canales	Ybarra Family
Iris Luna Sullivan	Rosie Gallegos	Robert Treviño
Emma O. Velasquez	Maritza Garcia	Sulema Hernandez
Raymond Sarabia	Richard Santoyo	Lucio Vasquez
Julissa Rodriguez	Lucy Treviño & Family	Buddy Ochoa
Miliana Bullock	Mickey S. Carrasco	Cristina Santoyo
Lydia Soriano	Robert Prieto	Marcus Torres
Robert Sanchez	Elizabeth Rose Valdez	Rosa Moreno
Vanessa Quintero	Mary Rose Cerda	Roger Arizpe
Virginia R. Lucio	Zander from WA.	Daniel Rodriguez
Guadalupe Rodriguez	Pete Muñoz	Marisol Longoria-Parker
Lori Bañuelos	Henrietta Ramos	Jerry Salazar
Edith Flores	Cecilia Muñoz	Baby Ezra Rios
Isaiah Vasquez	Carmen Perez	Henry Castro

We thank God for the healing of so many sick parishioners. Please be courteous and call the Parish Office if your loved one is no longer suffering or sick. Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 13, 2024

5 PM Mass	-\$	992.00
9 AM Mass	-\$	899.00
11 AM Mass	-\$	991.00
Hope for the Future	-\$	341.00 2nd Coll.
Good Samaritans of SJB	-\$	292.00 2nd Coll.
Drop In/Mail In	-\$	228.12
Gift of Giving	-\$	222.01
TOTAL		\$3,965.13

SECOND COLLECTION WORLD MISSION SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
SUPPORT OF OUR CHURCH!

2024 GIFT OF GIVING

Contributions ending Oct. 13, 2024	\$	222.01
TOTAL		\$ 12,323.10

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 19

5:00 p.m. † Rick Gonzales - Socorro & Raquel
For Health Eva Dominguez - Family

Sunday, October 20

9:00 a.m. † Juan C. Velasquez - Daughter
† Faustina & Reyes Reyes- Virginia Velez
† Daniel C. & Maria Arzola - Family
† Bobby Tovar - Family

Health Pat Covarrubias - Socorro & Raquel

11:00 a.m. † Gonzalo Mendiola - Family
† Suzanne Gutierrez - Grace Salinas
† Olga Forey - Family
† Marcus Arevalos - Family
† Ralph Moreno - Wife & Family
† Daniel Lizalde - Wife Patty & Son
† Roberto Lugo - Lugo Family

Health Daniel Lira - Family

Mon., October 21

Tuesday, October 22

12:00 p.m. † Daniel Traspaña, Sr. - SJB Friends
Gift of Life Angelica Cruz - Grandma

Wednesday, October 23

8:15 a.m. † Mary S. Herrera - SJB Friend
Health Adela Morquecho - SJB Friends

Thursday, October 24

12:00 p.m. † Joseph & Dolores Crittall - SJB Family
Health Mary Martinez - Socorro & Raquel

Friday, October 25

12:00 p.m. † Roger & Elida Garcia - SJB Friends



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE LIT BY THE TABERNACLE BURNS FOR:

† Ruben V. Garza
Ysenia Rivas Ramirez

Let us remember the lamp is a mark of honor. It is to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.

We offer condolences to our parishioners and their families who have experienced loss of their loved ones:

*With
Deepest
Sympathy*

† Nickolas Rodriguez

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21
Tue: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38
Wed: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48
Thu: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1--5, 11-12, 18-19;
Lk 12:49-53
Fri: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
Sat: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

I am very excited to introduce to you our new Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion and Lectors. They have attended a workshop and are ready to serve our beautiful community. In addition, in accordance with Canon 230, #3, the Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy communion have been granted the permission to serve at St. John Berchmans by the Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller. Congratulations to all of you and may your ministry at St. John Berchmans be fulfilling.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion:

- Brandon Pesqueda
- Carl D. Brunn
- Irma G. Brunn
- Maria Enriquez
- Raquel Castillo
- Richard Contreras
- Rosalinda Garza
- Arleen Garcia

Lectors

- Gilbert Mendiola, Jr.
- Laura Castaneda
- Brandon Pesqueda
- Maria Enriquez
- Dolores Guardiola
- Arleen Garcia
- Marco Mermea, Jr.

Here is the breakdown by mass for the financial contribution toward the purchase of chicken, sausages and all the trimmings.

- \$890: Saturday 5 pm Mass
- \$470: Sunday 9am Mass
- \$1,276: Sunday 11 am Mass
- **\$2,636.00 Total**

Thank you for your generosity and God bless you.

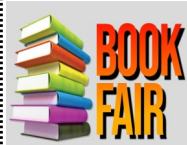
Please continue to pray the rosary every day. You may pray as a family or individually. We are still conducting a **daily rosary every week day at 6:00 in the evening, at 4:00 in the afternoon on Saturdays and at 8:00 in the morning on Sundays** in our church. Make a special effort to attend. Each rosary will be live streamed.

God Bless you,

(Signature)

Father Fidèle Okitembo Dikete, Pastor
fr.fidele@stjohnberchmans.com

Our ACTS organization would like to say **THANK YOU** to all who supported our Taco fundraiser this past Sunday. We can always count on our parish community to come through for us.



COME VISIT THE SJB LIBRARY AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

The SJB Scholastic Book Fair will be open from November 1-8, 2024
Hours: 7:45am - 4:45am Daily
except Saturday (11/2). On Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024 from 8:45am - 11:45 am.
Wednesday is Goodies with Grandparents until 5:45 pm. We will be serving Pan Dulce y Café/ Sweet Bread and coffee all day.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This unites Catholics worldwide in prayer, solidarity and support for the Church's mission efforts in 1,100 territories through the world. Pope Francis chose this year's theme "Go and invite everyone to the Banquet". Join us in this universal mission to spread the Gospel and invite all to experience the joy of Christ's message! Thank you for your generosity!



Sunday, October 20

8:00 a.m. ROSARY - Church
9:00 a.m. MASS - Church
11:00 a.m. MASS - Church

Monday, October 21

6:00 p.m. ROSARY - Church

Tuesday, October 22

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel
6:00 p.m. ROSARY - Church

Wednesday, October 23

8:15 a.m. SCHOOL MASS - Church
10:00 a.m. Adult Faith Enrichment Sessions-
Formation House

6:00 p.m. ROSARY - Church

Thursday, October 24

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel
6:00 p.m. ROSARY - Church

Friday, October 25

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel
6:00 p.m. ROSARY - Church

Saturday, October 26

4:00 p.m. ROSARY - Church
5:00 p.m. MASS - Church

SERVANTS IN CHRIST JESUS

Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave to all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:43-45).

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that missionary discipleship doesn't come with prestige and recognition. To be a follower of Jesus means to be a servant to others. Do I see myself as a servant first? When and how do I serve others as a disciple of Jesus?

Pope Francis writes, *"Holiness is boldness, an impulse to evangelize and to leave a mark in this world.* To allow us to do this, Jesus himself comes and tells us once more, serenely yet firmly, *'Do not be afraid'* (Mark 6:50) These words enable us to go forth and serve with the same courage that the Holy Spirit stirred up in the Apostles, impelling them to proclaim Jesus Christ. May we have the boldness to be holy, to proclaim Jesus Christ to the world in our daily lives as missionary disciples on a synodal journey.

FOR FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS

"Hands Up for a Better Tomorrow"



• Overview on Home Ownership, Cross timber Homes, and other ways to become partners in our ministry efforts.

DATE: Wednesday, October 23, 2024 6pm-8pm at Westside Education and Training Center Bldg A/ Rm 221A, 610 SW 41st, San Antonio, Tx 78237

RSVP to either melodyherrera@aol.com and/or Timothy Payne at lensaccess@gmail.com

FALL HARVEST PRE-SALE BBQ CHICKEN/SAUSAGE PLATE SALE

DATE: Sunday, October 27, 2024
TIME: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
LOCATION: SJB School Cafeteria
COST: \$12 a plate includes sides and trimmings.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please contact the Joy Ministry.



Our Church Cleaning Ministry meets **EVERY SATURDAY @ 8AM** to clean our beautiful place of worship.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULED
OCTOBER 26, 2024
HOSPITALITY**



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All requests must be sent by email to osantoyo1104@gmail.com and will be finalized for approval by Father Fidèle. **Bulletins are printed on Thursdays.**



NEW TO OUR PARISH AND WANT TO REGISTER AS A NEW PARISHIONER?

We encourage all newcomers to register and get to know your parish community. Please contact our Parish Office at 210-434-3247 to fill out a registration form.