

St. John Berchmans Catholic Church

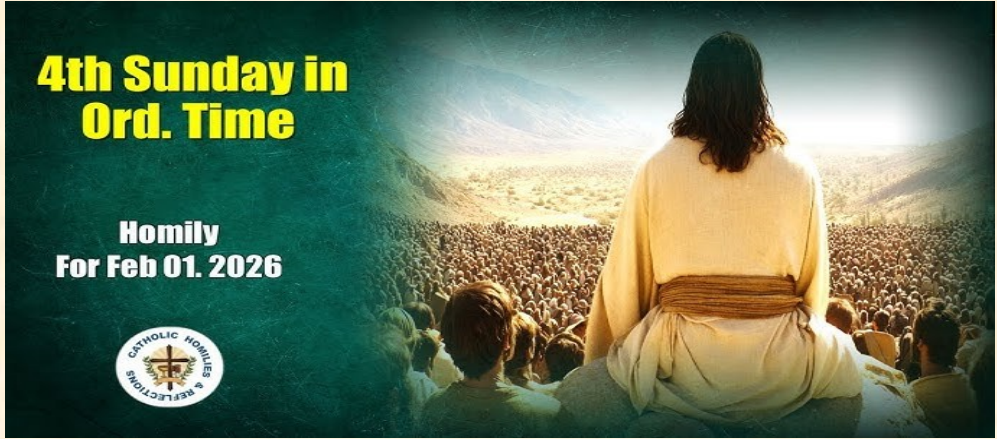
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4th Sunday in Ord. Time

Homily
For Feb 01, 2026



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

• Rev. Fr. Anthony Male •
Pastor

• Deacon Luis Guardiola •

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Parish Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

Mass Times:
Saturday Vigil 5pm-English
Sunday 9am - Bilingual
Sunday 11am- English

Weekday Services:
Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 12 Noon

School Mass:
Wednesdays 8:15am (School Calendar)

Reconciliation:
Saturday 4:00pm or by appointment

Baptisms/Quinceañera/Sweet 16:
Please contact office for more information

Baptism Classes:
Please contact office for more information

Weddings:
Father Anthony Male, Pastor
Please make an appointment
six months in advance.

CCD:
Sunday 9:30am – 12 Noon

Good Samaritans of SJB:
Monday and Friday; 3pm - 5pm
Every Other Week

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ACTS CORE FACILITATOR:
ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT:
ALTAR SERVERS:
ALTAR SOCIETY:
CHOIRS:
Saturday 5pm Choir
Sunday 9am Choir
Sunday 11am Choir
CYO:
CAFETERIA:
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:
FINANCE COMMITTEE:
GOOD SAMARITANS OF SJB:

GUADALUPANAS:
FORMATION HOUSE RENTAL :
HOSPITALITY:
J.O.Y. MINISTRY:

LECTORS:
LITURGY COMMITTEE:
OCIA/OCIC:
PASTORAL COUNCIL:
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION :
ROSARY MAKERS:
VIGIL TEAM:

ONLINE GIVING

We are partnering with **ParishSOFT Giving** and the Archdiocese of San Antonio to help you with online contributions to our church. This would be done automatically from your checking account or credit card, just as you do now with other payments.

If interested proceed as follows:

- Simply visit giving.parishsoft.com/giving/sjbsanantonio
- Text "Give" to 210-934-0959 or
- Scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to go directly to our parish's online giving page. From there, you can give a one-time or recurring offering, and set up your account from the "Sign in" tab.



FEBRUARY 1, 2026 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WHOM GOD HONORS

In Jesus' time, honor and shame were key markers for who is up and who is down in their society. Typically, those with wealth and power over others were to be honored. And in our own time, often we find ourselves drawn strongly toward having more abundance, control, and options to choose from. We avoid vulnerability and limitations. But Jesus says in the Beatitudes that the poor and meek are truly blessed, that is, honorable and privileged by God. How can this be?

Perhaps Jesus is first exposing the opposites to the poor and meek, the "rich in spirit." These develop such confidence in themselves, based on achievement or inherited privilege, that they isolate themselves from God, and either ignore or exploit others. Jesus also knew that the humble in heart realize that they cannot build an illusory self-affirmation, so they can be most open to God's affirmation of them. They can then become more deeply empowered to participate in God's work. God blesses and honors the open-hearted.

TODAY'S READINGS: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

A QUIÉN HONRA DIOS

En la época de Jesús, el honor y la vergüenza eran indicadores clave de quién estaba arriba y quién abajo en su sociedad. Normalmente, se honraba a los que tenían riqueza y poder sobre los demás. Y en nuestra época, a menudo nos sentimos fuertemente atraídos por tener más abundancia, control y opciones para elegir. Evitamos la vulnerabilidad y las limitaciones. Pero Jesús dice en las Bienaventuranzas que los pobres y los mansos son verdaderamente bendecidos, es decir, honrados y privilegiados por Dios. ¿Cómo puede ser esto?

Tal vez Jesús está exponiendo primero los opuestos a los pobres y mansos, los "ricos de espíritu". Éstos desarrollan tal confianza en sí mismos, basada en los logros o en los privilegios heredados, que se aíslan de Dios, e ignoran o explotan a los demás. Jesús también sabía que los humildes de corazón se dan cuenta de que no pueden construir una autoafirmación ilusoria, por lo que pueden estar más abiertos a la afirmación de Dios sobre ellos. Así pueden estar más profundamente capacitados para participar en la obra de Dios. Dios bendice y honra a los de corazón abierto.

LECTURAS DE HOY: Sof 2:3; 3:12-13; Sal 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

LECTOR SCHEDULE

JANUARY 31ST AND FEBRUARY 1ST

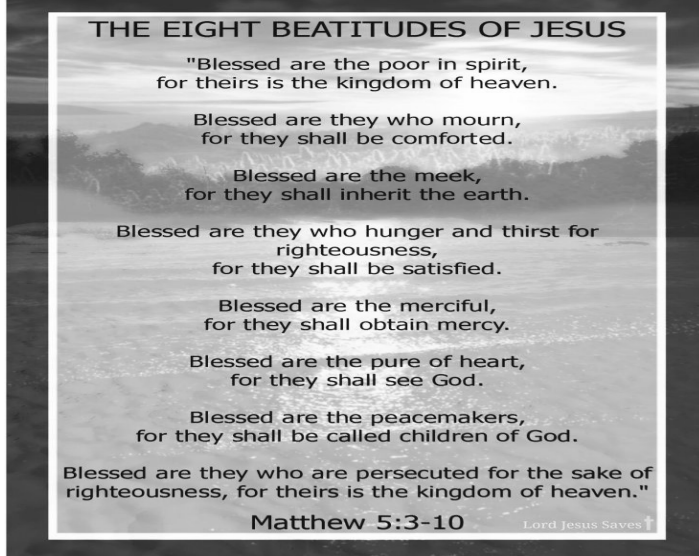
Commentator	1st Lector	2nd Lector
5pm Laura Castañeda	Angie Diaz	Rosemarie Mayhan
9am Xanthia Hernandez	Arleen Garcia	Oralia Cantu
11am Diana Moreno	Kim Mata	Rosario Estrada

JOY LENTEN RETREAT

"Teach me your ways, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth." Community Retreat - No Charge
Men and Women Welcome - Lunch provided

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21ST
10AM - 4PM SJB SCHOOL CAFETERIA

For Info: Jessica Ramos (210) 872-1879;
Chayo Gomez (210) 219-2153 or
Angie Diaz (210) 919-2412



STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK
ENDING JANUARY 26, 2026

MASS TIMES	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
5:00 PM	\$ 785.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 960.00
9:00 AM	\$ 160.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 170.00
11:00 AM	\$ 85.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 165.00
CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA	\$ 173.00	\$ 132.75	\$ 303.75
MAIL IN/DROP OFF		\$	\$ 1,165.00
SJB SCHOOL	\$ 60.00	\$	\$ 60.00
CAPITAL IMP.	\$ 20.00	\$	\$ 20.00
ON LINE GIVING	\$		\$ 80.00
		GRAND TOTAL	\$ 2,925.75

SECOND COLLECTION - FEBRUARY 1, 2026
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)



Please Pray for the Sick

Prayer List Updates



Sarah Contreras	Mickey S. Carrasco	Viola Garza
Frances Lozano	Elizabeth Rose Valdez	Reymundo Padilla
Mary S. Martinez	Henrietta Ramos	Dominique
Galilea Romero	Cristina Santoyo	Dominguez
Iris Luna Sullivan	Marisol Longoria-	And Baby
Emma O. Velasquez	Parker	Edna Cruz
Raymond Sarabia	Jerry Salazar	Armando Cantu
Miliana Bullock	Baby Ezra Rios	Tere Peña
Robert Sanchez	Socorro Castillo	Irma Brunn
Vanessa Quintero	Valerie Vigil	Olga Serna
Virginia R. Lucio	Lillie Velez	Ruben Martinez
Guadalupe Rodriguez	Baby Wade Trinidad	Oralia Rodriguez
Lori Bañuelos	Simon Peter Jesus	Monica Rodriguez
Edith Flores	Garcia	Daniel Vasquez
Isaiah Vasquez	Stephanie Perez	Leticia Martinez
Gloria Rubio	Danny Flores	Jesuita Fischer
Angie Canales	Baby Marlon	Nicole Guerra
Rosie Gallegos	Sara McCumba Garcia	Dora Duran
Richard Santoyo	Robyn Pesina	

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 31

5:00 p.m. † M/M Pablo M. Gonzales -
Cuellar Family
† Raul Gonzales - Cuellar Family
† Rodolfo Martinez Bermudez - Cantu Family
† Emerald Ramirez Acevedo -
Mom, Husband, Child & Family

Sunday, February 1

9:00 a.m. † Carolina H. Sanchez - Family
† Daniel "Danny" Romero - Family
† Daniel C. & Maria C. Arzola - Family
† Rodolfo Martinez Bermudez -
Cantu Family

Healing of Dora Duran - SJB Family

11:00 a.m. † Helen Bernal - Family

Tuesday, February 3 - ST. BLAISE & ST. ANSGAR

† Mary Esther Mireles - Family

Wednesday, February 4

† Daniel Lira - SJB Family

Thursday, February 5 - ST. AGATHA

† Rafaela De La Rosa - Family

Gift of Life Venee Santoyo - Family

Friday, February 6

For Our Parish Community



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE For the Hungry, the Homeless and the Unemployed

For the Souls in Purgatory

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24: 7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Tue: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30:19:3; Ps 86:1-6;
Mk 5:21-43
Wed: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thu: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Fri: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
Sat: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sun: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16



IN MEMORIUM

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

† JOSEFA LEDESMA
† DANIEL LIRA
† VIRGINIA HINOJOSA

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear People of God

Thank you so very much for your thoughtfulness and prayers while I was on vacation. I had a great time with my family and friends in India.

On behalf of Church and School I sincerely congratulate Eddie Campa on his installation as an Acolyte in the Church last Saturday. This sacred ministry reflects a commendable spirit of service and dedication to the liturgy of the Church.

May the Lord grant Eddie Campa the grace to carry out this responsibility with reverence, humility, and fidelity, for the glory of God and the good of His people.

Who is an Acolyte? In the Catholic Church, an acolyte is a lay minister who serves the priest and deacon at Mass, assisting with liturgical tasks like carrying the cross/candles, preparing the altar, purifying vessels, and distributing Communion, acting as a "companion" or "server" to enhance worship.

The Lumen Gentium Award: This award is given to a layperson in each parish who has demonstrated faithfulness and dedication in ministry. This year I have chosen Oralia Cantu. Congratulations and May the Light of Christ continue to shine through her.

Sincere thanks to all volunteers, donors, and supporters who contributed to the success of our BBQ fundraiser. Your support greatly benefits our School and is deeply appreciated. Thank you all.

Sincerely in Christ, Father Anthony

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR FIRST FUNDRAISER



CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. EDWARD CAMPA WHO WAS INSTALLED AS AN ACOLYTE



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sunday, February 1, 2026 - 11am - 3pm**
St. John Berchmans School BBQ Plate Sale
- Wednesday, February 4, 2026 - 10am**
Adult Faith Enrichment Class - Formation House
- Saturday, February 7, 2026**
Church Cleaning
Ministry Assigned- CYO & GUADALUPANAS
- Saturday, February 7 & Sunday February 8, 2026**
Altar Society Bake Sale
- Wednesday, February 18, 2026**
ASH WEDNESDAY (Schedule forthcoming)



OUR NEWLY INSTALLED ACOLYTE HAS DEDICATED SEVERAL YEARS TO COMPLETE THIS MINISTRY.

PICTURED ARE MR. AND MRS. CAMPA.



TEFA APPLICATIONS OPEN FEB 4, 2026

The Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA) help families cover Catholic school tuition and educational expenses.

Our office is ready to help you learn more, find a school, and guide you through the application process.

We're here to walk with you.



SCAN TO LEARN MORE & PREPARE YOUR FAMILY

