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# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

December 12, 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent

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## Advent Confession Schedule

Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 PM



### Christmas Flower Donations

Honor your loved ones (deceased or living) this Christmas season by donating to the flowers that will adorn the sanctuary during Christmas. Make a donation on or before Sunday, December 19. Envelopes are available on the table in the hall. Drop in the collection basket or in the parish office.

### Advent Schedule

Advent Penance Service – Dec. 14  
Christmas Novena Begins – Dec. 16  
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – Dec. 19  
Christmas Concert – Dec. 19

### Calendario de Adviento

Servicio de Reconciliación – 14 dic.  
Comienza las Posadas – 16 dic.  
Cena de Agradecimiento de Voluntarios – 19 dic.  
Concierto de Navidad – 19 dic.

### Advent 2021

Baby Clothes for Baby Jesus  
Preparing for the Christ Child in the Way  
we Prepare for our own Children

Please join with the children in Faith Formation and donate a gift of new infant clothing, size new born to 2 toddler.

Donations will benefit **Fatherheart, a Home for Mothers** in Lindale, Texas. Donations accepted November 28<sup>th</sup> through December 24<sup>th</sup>. Look for the "manger" as you walk into the church and leave your donation in the manger.

### Adviento 2021

Ropa de bebé para el Niño Jesús  
Preparándonos para el Niño Jesús en la forma en que nos preparamos para nuestros propios hijos

Únase a los niños en Formación en la fe y done un regalo de ropa nueva para bebés, tamaño recién nacido para 2 niños pequeños.

Las donaciones beneficiarán a **Fatherheart, un hogar para madres** en Lindale, Texas.

Se aceptan donaciones del 28 de noviembre al 24 de diciembre. Busque el "pesebre" al entrar a la iglesia y deje su donación en el pesebre.

## CHRISTMAS NOVENA – DECEMBER 16-24

The novena commemorates Joseph and Mary's search for shelter in preparation of Mary giving birth to our Savior, Jesus. For nine days we move as pilgrims seeking shelter for Mary and Joseph so that the world in waiting might welcome Jesus Christ. At each place we reflect on the true meaning of Christmas through prayer, song, friendship and by sharing a meal. The sign-up sheet to host a novena day is on the bulletin board. Questions? Maggie 972-679-9330.



## NOVENA NAVIDEÑA / LAS POSADAS 16-24 DICIEMBRE

Las posadas son un medio para preparar con alegría y oración nuestro corazón para la venida de Jesucristo, y para recordar y vivir los momentos que pasaron José y María antes del Nacimiento de Jesús. La hoja de registro para organizar un día de novena está en El tablón de anuncios.

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### Faith Formation for Children & Youth

Dec. 14 – Advent Confession

Faith Formation classes **will not meet** on these dates: December 21 and 28

**2022 Confirmation & 1st Communion Class** will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month from 10 am to 12 pm

Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 5, Apr. 2, May 7

Questions? Tina Denny 817-821-8530

### Formación de Fe para Niños y Jóvenes

14 dic. - Confesiones de Adviento

Las clases de formación en la fe **no se reunirán** en estas fechas: 21 y 28 diciembre

**2022 Clase de Confirmación y Primera Comunión** La clase se reunirá el primer sábado de cada mes de 10 am a 12 pm

Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 5, Apr. 2, May 7

¿Preguntas? Tina Denny 817-821-8530

### Ordination Anniversaries

**Dec 16** — 15th anniversary of Fr. Victor's ordination to the Priesthood

**Dec 21** — 8th anniversary of Marcelino & Federico's ordination to the Diaconate

Let us remember and give thanks for all the many ways God has touched us through their service to the Church. **Mass on December 19th will be offered in thanksgiving for their service.**

### Anniversario de ordenaciones

**16 de diciembre** — 15 aniversario del P. Ordenación de Víctor al sacerdocio.

**21 de diciembre** — 8 aniversario de la ordenación al Diaconado de Marcelino y Federico

Vamos a recordar y dar gracias por el buen servicio que Dios nos a bendicido a través de sus ministerios para la comunidad y nuestra iglesia. **La misa del 19 de diciembre se ofrecerá de agradecimiento por sus servicios.**

### Knights of Columbus Insurance

The Knights of Columbus Benefits Program of Mutual Funds, Charitable Giving/Donor Advised Funds, Life, Long-Term Care, Disability and Retirement Annuities is always improving. If you are interested in finding a Catholic agency for investments and insurance, consider joining a one-hour Zoom meeting Wednesday night, December 15 at 7:00 PM and learn what the Knights of Columbus insurance programs can offer you. Call Mark Freund (713-870-3114) for the ZOOM meeting information.

**Parish Collections – Dec. 05, 2021**

Combined Mass Total

Attendance: xxx  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$ xxx  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Building Fund: \$ xxx

**Food Sales for November 2021 \$ 1,241**

**Priest for Tomorrow as of 10-12-2021 \$ 11,323**

If you are unable to attend Mass, please consider mailing in your Sunday Offering and Building Fund donation to:  
St. John the Evangelist  
551 East FM 2795, Emory, TX 75440

**LOOKING AHEAD**

DEC 14 Advent Confessions  
DEC 16 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of FV's Ordination  
DEC 19 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner  
DEC 19 Christmas Concert (Sunday)  
DEC20-JAN3 School Break  
DEC 21 Deacon's 8th Ordination Anniversary  
DEC 24 Christmas Eve Vigil (Friday)  
DEC 25 Christmas Day (Holyday) (Sat)  
DEC 27 St. John Evangelist Feast Day (Mon)  
JAN 01 Mary, Mother of God (Sat)

**WORSHIP MINISTER SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, Dec. 19 – 11:00 AM**

Readers: 1R. Sheila D. 2R. Mark F.

**Friday, Dec. 24 – 10:00 PM**

Readers: 1R. Diane E. 2R. Spanish.

**Saturday, Dec. 25 – 11:00 AM**

Readers: 1R. Mark F. 2R. TBD.

**Sunday, Dec. 26 – 11:00 AM**

Readers: 1R. Diane E. 2R. Leo H.



**† PLEASE PRAY / POR FAVOR, ORAR †**

... for all who are sick, elderly, or alone. May God bless all caregivers / *para todos los enfermos, ancianos o solos. Que Dios bendiga a todos los cuidadores.*

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| Adam Blount ( <i>Deb Boyd's son</i> )       | Holly & Gerry Koiro                           |
| Benny & Pat Deis                            | Leo & Barbara Lyke                            |
| Al Doty                                     | Jim Moreau                                    |
| Sophie Downing                              | Jeannie Prendergast                           |
| Nancy Edward                                | Dale Vasil                                    |
| Maeanna ( <i>Dusty</i> ) Forette            | Willie & Mary Villanueva                      |
| Jim Hardy ( <i>Dennis Wagner's cousin</i> ) | Carolyn West ( <i>Debby Keenan's friend</i> ) |
| Pat Holcomb                                 |   |

... and for our military & first responder families / *Y para la familia de nuestros militares y primeros rescatistas.*

- Michael E. Riordan (*son of Mark & Mary Riordan*)
- Gary & Brook Robinson, Jr. - Navy (*son & DIL of Jeanette & Gary Robinson*)
- Rene Espinosa (*son of Marcelino & Lupe Espinosa*)
- Sergio Cadena (*grandson of Marcelino/Lupe Espinosa*)
- Ruben Olvera (*nephew of Federico & Clara Aguilar*)
- Preston Beverly - Marines (*grandson of Linda DeVore*)

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of December 2021**

Catechists. Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday:

11:00 AM English

12:30 PM Spanish

Tuesday: 6:30 PM

## CONFESSION

Before and after Mass and by appointment

## ADORATION

1<sup>ST</sup> Friday of each Month

**BAPTISM:** By appointment

**MARRIAGE & QUINCEAÑERAS:** Consult

Father Victor nine (9) months in advance

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## GET IN TOUCH

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**SJEMembers Email Group**

To receive parish-specific news, prayer requests, bulletin, etc., inform the Parish Office of your email address.



Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
ever faithful to your promises and ever close to your Church;  
the earth rejoices in hope of the Savior's coming  
and looks forward with longing to his return at the end of time.  
Prepare our hearts and remove the sadness that hinders us from feeling  
the joy which his presence will bestow, for he is Lord for ever and ever.

## Outreach to Victims of Abuse

If you know or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult is currently being abused or is in danger, immediately report it to state/local law enforcement or the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services at (800) 252-5400 or txabusehotline.org. The Diocese of Tyler is committed to respecting the dignity of all persons and to helping anyone who may have been hurt or abused by a priest, deacon, religious, or anyone working in the name of the Church. Any current or past cases of abuse involving Church personnel should be reported to civil authorities and also to the victim assistance coordinator at (903) 266-2159 or vac@dioceseoftyler.org.