



Dear Friends,

You would never believe what I did on Father's Day. Wait. Maybe I shouldn't tell you. Oh, what the heck! I might as well tell you despite how inconceivable it may sound for someone my age. After a fabulous lunch for my father, my brother and I dared to play a couple of games on the Wii! See! I knew you wouldn't believe it! Yet, that is precisely what we did!

One evening the week prior, I stopped by to visit my parents and during the course of my visit, they asked me if I wanted to try out the Wii. You see, my mother astonishingly won a Wii gaming console as a door prize at a dinner she attended. Still shocked by her luck, she called me to tell me about it and wasn't sure whether or not to keep it or to sell it. I encouraged her to do whatever she wished, but also let her know that it wasn't just for kids; that many folks found the games to be quite fun.

Well, she ultimately decided to keep it for now, and my father set it up a couple of weeks back. When I went over to visit, they had already played it a couple of times. Being a Wii novice, I opted to try bowling and tennis as an initiation into the world of Wii. I have to admit, my venture into this virtual world was quite enjoyable! In fact, I discovered that I am far better at Wii Bowling than I am at real bowling!

My attempt at Wii Tennis, on the other hand, left something to be desired. I might have to stick to real tennis (which I have not played in several years). Besides, I am not sure if my "Wii Mii (my virtual character in the video game)" was cursing when he missed the ball or if it was just an expression of frustration! It is said that video games influence behavior. I'd hate to give bad example if it was cursing.

In any event, it was much more entertaining than I thought it was going to be - so much so, that I somehow convinced my brother to join me in a few rounds of Wii bowling. I could tell that he had a blast too!

Now I know why so many praise the Wii as a way to get people off their couches and into some activity. If you ever see my elbow in a cast, you'll know what happened!!! It can be rather exerting and it reminded me of something I have been putting off for a while - exercise! I always seem to have an excuse for not putting my best intentions into practice.


Our Gospel this weekend urges us to stop making excuses. Like the man who made excuses for not following Jesus, we are prompted to stop making excuses for not attending Mass or working on our spiritual life. Jesus reminds us that if we put our hands to the plow, we must stop looking back, else we find ourselves veering off track. This means that if we say we are going to follow the Lord, we must do it without regret. We have got to keep our focus and not revert back to prior concerns. We've got to look ahead and leave behind the things that bog us down. If we allow ourselves, we can always find an excuse not to do something. Jesus is inviting us not to succumb to this tendency. He wants us to give ourselves to him totally and to persevere in that commitment. With His help, we will not waver! God bless!

Fr. Paul

Saturday, June 26, 2010	
8:00 AM	Father's Day Novena
4:30 PM	Fr. Paul-Happy Birthday by Catherine Mokry
Sunday, June 27, 2010	
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:30 AM	Father's Day Novena
11:00AM	+Victor Guajardo, Sr. by Mr. & Mrs. Juan M. Rodriguez
6:00 PM	Parishioners & Benefactors of St. John's
Monday, June 28, 2010	
8:00 AM	Father's Day Novena
Tuesday, June 29, 2010	
8:00 AM	+Teresa Koehler by Dolores F. Ramos
Wednesday, June 30, 2010	
8:00 AM	+Agnes Parker by Donna Parker
Thursday, July 01, 2010	
8:00 AM	Brandon Antle & Mary Olson-Happy B-day by Antle Family
Friday, July 02, 2010	
8:00 AM	+Marlin McMorro by Dolores McMorro
Next Saturday, July 03, 2010	
8:00 AM	In Thanksgiving to our Lady of Guadalupe by Paulita Barrera
4:30 PM	+Wanda McWey by Fred McWey
Next Sunday, July 04, 2010	
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:30 AM	Our Lady del Refugio by Rivera Family
11:00 AM	+Gordon R. Griffin by Mimi Griffin
6:00 PM	Parishioners & Benefactors of St. John's

Readings for the Week of June 27, 2010	
Sunday:	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62
Monday:	Saint Irenaeus, bishop, martyr Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50; Mt 8:18-22; Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19
Tuesday:	Saints Peter; Paul, apostles Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday:	The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday:	Blessed Junipero Serra, priest Am 7:10-17; Ps 19; Mt 9:1-8
Friday:	Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	Saint Thomas, apostle Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117; Jn 20:24-29
Sunday:	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH ...

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- Beatrice Ferrell, Edward Nemeč, Oscar Soliz, Florence Fuertez, Mary Ann Broyles, Cameron Marshall, Cattia Longoria, Jane Cheesman, Jerry Alvarez, Bonnie Maloy, Olivia Marshall, Henry Lamb III, San Juana Yglesias, Blanche Rhiddle Hoover, Elida Salas, Sr Suzanne Friedman, Rachel Martinez, Lisa Cash, Mary Rose Yeager, Delia Almaraz, Irma Mugerza, William McAbee, Ray Matta, Monica Ellison, Mary Rose Yeager, Tony Gilbert, Saralinda Martinez, Elodina M. Flores.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Our Troops



Sgt. Roger Elkins, Glen Turner Jr., Sgt Matt Maufin, Aaron Philipchuck, Dwayne Solis, Charles Krohn Jr., Oscar Rossi Billy Swatzell, James O'Donnell, Paul Adame, Brandon Felton, Zicorian Coleman, Wendy Hand, D'Aldo Alaniz, Paul Walton, Joseph Yglesias, Jaime Robles, Rudy Hoyt, Roseann Guerrero, Sr. Airman Charlie Stevens, Sr. Airman Patrick Scheuter, Matt Hettinger, Mike Brown, Erik Garza, Damian Saldivar, Maj. Chuck Taylor, Alex Saucedo, Jay Alvarez, John Rodriguez, Jr., Jimmy Karjian, Orlando Rodriguez, Ken Demick, Yvette T. Demick, Scott Nielsen, Timothy Johnson, Mr. Rogers, Lt. jg John Dolby III, Michael Nelson, Michael A. Berry, Gabriel Reza, Mike Llamas, Manny Olvalle, Luis Martinez, Lt. Hector Jude Garcia, Lt. jg Kristopher McAbee, Chris Hesse, Natalie Manzano, Capt. Cristian Alejandro Pinzon, David D. Ruiz, Melissa Davila, Ramon Panganiban, Jr., Sgt. Carlos Torres, Jr., Michael D. Valdez, Lt. Norman Renfro, Ian Joseph Hoyt.

Ministry Schedules

This Week's Lectors:

4:30 pm Leonard & Jackie Lee
8:30am Mark Cheesman
11:00am Claudia Lichtenberger

Next Week' Lectors

4:30 pm Mary Jones
8:30am Alonzo Rivera
11:00am Brenda Garcia

This Week's EM's:

4:30 pm Samantha, Mary & Tracy Mora, Randy Ritter, Linda & Crystal Hite, Sally Escobar
8:30am Luz Bernardo, Edward & Mary De La Garza, Connie Salas, Mary Jones
11:00am Velma Moreno, Beto & Minnie Peña. Albert Lichtenberger, Rene & Janie Esquivel

Next Week's EM's:

4:30 pm Linda, Michael & Crystal Hite, Anita Joya, Luz Bernardo, Olaya Solis
8:30am Maricela Spencer, Mary Carrillo, Bill Cheesman, Ronnie & Lawrence Balderas
11:00 am Maribel Muñoz, Cynthia & Gabriel Gatica, Roland & Leila Longoria, Cindy Morin

This Week's Ushers:

4:30pm George Fegan, James Coburn, Michael Hite, Gene Gonzalez
8:30am Roland Longoria, Leila Longoria, Bea Heenan, Lawrence Balderas
11:00am David Garcia, Mike O'Flynn, Raul Treviño, Roberto Moreno

Next Week's Ushers:

4:30pm Richard Dolan, Don Fettig, James Coburn, Virginia Haasl
8:30am Steve Hansen, Monica Hansen, Bea Heenan, Allen Rasmussen
11:00am Roberto Moreno, Kathy Deis, Eddie Cruz, Henry Lamb

Sunday Collection



Gifts for God

June 20, 2010

Envelope & Loose	\$ 9,226.88
Building Fund	286.00



St. John's Parish Dates to Remember

Jun 28	5:00 PM	Intercessors of the Lamb	RM #1
Jul 01	7:00 PM	Adoration	Church
Jul 02	8:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Adoration	Church
Jul 02	5:30 PM	Healing Mass	Church
Jul 02	7:00 PM	Philipino Mass	Church
Jul 04	12:15 PM	Baptism Class	Church
Jul 05		Parish Office Closed	

Are You A Registered Parishioner?

Did you know that you can register as a parishioner of St. John's online? Whether you have been attending St. John's for a while and never registered or you are a newcomer, we encourage you to go to www.stjohnthebaptistcc.org and click on "Newcomers". There you can download a printable registration form that you can put in the Sunday collection basket. Or, you can come by the office to fill out a form. All registered parishioners will receive an annual statement of contributions that you can use for income tax purposes.

SJB on Facebook

Stay informed! Become a member of our Group on Facebook! Visit our parish website at www.stjohnthebaptistcc.org and click on the link to our Facebook Group.

Rosary and Holy Hour



Rosary and Holy Hour are held every Friday morning after daily Mass. All parishioners are invited to join us for this time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30 – 9:30 am.

St. John's Healing Mass



We are having a healing Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick this coming **Friday, July 2nd at 5:30 PM**. Those who are seriously ill, preparing for surgery, or are advanced in years are especially encouraged to participate in the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Set the date! Parish Festival



Don't miss out! Set the date for the next SJB Parish Festival which will be held on **October 10, 2010**. Join us that day for food, fun, and fellowship!

SJB 5K Walk/Run



Plan ahead and put your running shoes on! We are going to have a parish sponsored 5K Walk/Run on **November 6, 2010**. Put it on your calendar now and set the day aside so that you can join us for this wonderful family event! More information will come in the months ahead.

Youth Ministry Announcements

DEAR PARISHIONERS, our teens are returning from the Steubenville South youth conference this Sunday night. Please offer up prayers this week for their return that God would continue His good work in them!
LIFE TEEN: See you this **Wednesday, June 30th at 7pm-8pm**. All in high school are invited!

EDGE: We will meet again for First Friday Frenzy on **Friday, July 2nd at 6pm-7pm**.

Go to www.stjohnyouth.com for more info on the youth program and events!