

## July 19, 2015 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

How can our wounded world be healed? How can barriers be broken down, reconciliation begin and healing take place? This is certainly a question for this new century, but it is a question as old as the world. In today's first reading, the prophet Jeremiah describes a torn and broken world. He looks to the leadership in the land and finds it lacking. He writes of shepherds who mislead and scatter. Such bad shepherds, then and now, might be political leaders. But they might also be leaders of families, of industry, of education, or of any human institution.

Jeremiah foretold the coming of Jesus, "a righteous shoot to David" (Jeremiah 23:5). He foretold a shepherd who would gather the sheep, a king who would govern wisely. In today's Gospel, Mark describes this shepherd king. He and his apostles were tired and had gone away to rest. But they were met by a crowd of people searching for his teaching. We are told that Jesus pitied them, seeing them as "sheep without a shepherd" (Mark 6:34).

### OUR WORLD TODAY

How does Jesus Christ see us today? Does he pity us? We are scattered, separated, bewildered, conflicted. We tremble in fear and hide in the dark. Are we still like sheep without a shepherd? How can our torn and broken world be restored?

We can turn to Saint Paul for an answer. He, too, describes a broken world of hostility and enmity. But he reminds us that enmity has been put to death. The cross of Christ Jesus has done this. It is in Christ Jesus and through the shedding of his blood that we can be reconciled, one to another, all over our broken world.

Today's Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34



## 19 de julio de 2015 Decimosexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

¿Cómo se puede sanar nuestro mundo herido? ¿Cómo se pueden derribar las barreras, comenzar la reconciliación y dar lugar a la sanación? Ciertamente esta es una pregunta para este nuevo siglo, pero es una pregunta tan vieja como el mundo. En la primera lectura de hoy, el profeta Jeremías describe un mundo roto. Buscan entre los dirigentes del país y los encuentran deficientes. Escribe de pastores que engañan y dispersan. En ese entonces y ahora, esos malos pastores podrían ser dirigentes políticos. Pero también podrían ser cabezas de familias, de la industria, de la educación o de cualquier institución humana.

Jeremías anunció la venida de Jesús, "un renuevo en el tronco de David: será un rey justo" (Jeremías 23:5). Anunció un pastor que apacentaría a las ovejas, un rey que gobernaría con prudencia. En el Evangelio de hoy, Marcos describe a este rey pastor. Él y sus apóstoles estaban cansados y se habían apartado para descansar. Pero una multitud lo buscaba para escuchar sus enseñanzas. Sabemos que Jesús se compadeció de ellos, porque las veía como "ovejas sin pastor" (Marcos 6:34).

### NUESTRO MUNDO HOY

¿Cómo nos ve Jesucristo hoy? ¿Se compadece de nosotros? Estamos dispersos, separados, desconcertados, en conflicto. Temblamos de miedo y nos ocultamos en la oscuridad. ¿Aún somos como ovejas sin pastor? ¿Cómo se puede restaurar nuestro mundo roto?

Podemos recurrir a san Pablo para una respuesta. Él también describe un mundo sufriendo lleno de hostilidad y enemistad. Nos recuerda que la enemistad ha sido destruida. Lo hizo la cruz de Jesucristo. Es en Jesucristo y por su sangre derramada que podemos ser reconciliados, unos con otros, en todo nuestro mundo sufriendo.

Lecturas de hoy: Jr 23:1-6; Sal 23:1-6; Ef 2:13-18; Mc 6:30-34

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# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 5:30 pm (English)

Sunday: 8:00 am (Spanish) & 10:00 am (English)

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 4:45 pm-5:15 pm & Wednesday after 8 am Mass

**DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday: 6:30 pm

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 am

24-hour Adoration: Begins Thursday 8:00 am - Concludes Friday 8:00 am

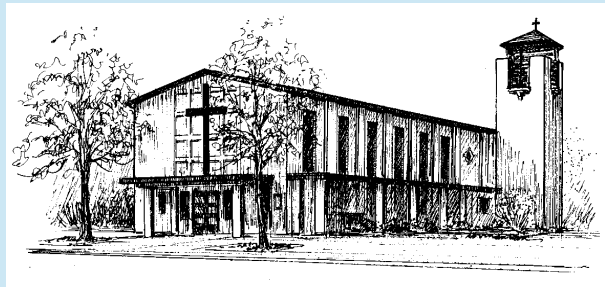
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ESTABLISHED IN 1879

**REFLECTIONS**

**CHRIST’S PRESENCE IN THE WORLD**

There’s a bit of a “missing link” in the first two sentences of today’s Gospel from Mark. In the first, the apostles return from having been sent out on mission two by two (“one who is sent” is the meaning of “apostle”). Their instructions were to preach repentance, drive out demons, and heal the sick in Jesus’ name. In the second sentence, Jesus tells them to come away with him and rest a while. It would be nice for us to imagine that, between those two sentences, a look of amazed gratitude and pleasure crossed the face of Jesus as he hears of the kingdom proclaimed in his name, and how they didn’t have to shake the dust off their feet anywhere. They deserved a rest! It might not be bad for us, when we gather together with Jesus as the apostles do today, to do this kind of debriefing, allowing the Lord to hear what we’ve sought to do in his name, our successes, our failures, our need to get away with him for a while to be fortified for further work in God’s name. For we, the baptized, are not only the flock of Jesus Christ; through water and the power of the Spirit we have also become the Body of Christ, the presence of the Shepherd for the life of the world.

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**REFLEJOS**

**LA PRESENCIA DE CRISTO EN EL MUNDO**

Hay una cierta “conexión” que falta entre las dos primeras oraciones del Evangelio de hoy. En la primera los apóstoles regresan de la misión a la que habían sido enviados de dos en dos (“apóstol” en griego significa “enviado”). Habían sido enviados a predicar la conversión, a expulsar a los demonios, y a sanar a los enfermos en el nombre de Jesús. En la segunda oración, Jesús les dice que se vengán con él a un lugar solitario para descansar un poco. Nos gustaría pensar que, entre esas dos oraciones, una expresión de placer y gratitud cruzó el rostro de Jesús al oír como el Reino ha sido proclamado en su nombre, y como no tuvieron que sacudirse el polvo de los pies en ninguna parte. ¡Bien se merecían un descanso! A nosotros tampoco nos vendría mal, cuando nos juntamos alrededor de Jesús como los apóstoles en el Evangelio de hoy, que nos tomáramos un descanso, para que el Señor pueda escuchar lo que hemos hecho en su nombre – nuestros éxitos, nuestras decepciones, nuestra necesidad de “escaparnos” un rato con él para que nos fortalezca para seguir trabajando en el nombre de Dios. Ya que nosotros los bautizados no somos sólo el rebaño de Cristo; por el agua y el Espíritu hemos sido transformados en el Cuerpo mismo de Cristo, la presencia del pastor para dar vida al mundo.

**ST. JOHN’S STAFF VACATION SCHEDULE**



**Father Howard Goertz**



Monday, July 20 - Tuesday, August 4

Missionary Appeal Weekend, July 25/26.

A visiting Priest will celebrate Mass August 1/2.

*Thank You*  
FOR YOUR HELP

St. John's Parish would like to give a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped organize and to those who volunteered to help make this year's Vacation Bible School successful. We would also like to give a GREAT Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their donation of the VBS program and all the materials.

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St. John’s would also like to give a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to those who donated monetarily and for those who gave of their time and talents to give the inside of the parish hall a much needed face-lift. Everyone is encouraged to come by and see all the work that has been done!



**BURNING OF SANCTUARY LIGHT  
JULY 2015**

**FOR FAMILY**

**Offered by: Severiano & Isidra Rodriguez**

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS REPORT**

**Weekend of July 11 & 12**

**Collections**

1st Collection .....	\$3,820.00
Children’s Collection .....	\$38.05
Church Donation (Funeral) .....	\$100.00
Church Donation (KC’s Supplies) .....	\$265.00
Hall Rental .....	<u>\$200.00</u>
Total .....	\$4,423.05

**Needed Weekly ..... \$4,198.54**

**Other Collections**

Votive Candle .....	\$82.10
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**With God All Things are Possible!**

**ST. JOHN'S BULLETIN BOARD**

**Sunday Breakfast..... Sundays**  
 This Sunday, July 19 Fall Festival Queen Candidate Angelique Zavala and family are hosting Sunday Breakfast. Sunday Breakfast is served in the Parish Hall after both the 8 am and 10 am Mass. Next Sunday, July 26 Volunteers for Christ are hosting Sunday Breakfast..

**Práctica del coro (español)..... Jueves**  
 Práctica del coro (español), cada Jueves a las 6 de la tarde en la casa de la parroquia, 400 S. Pecan.

**Altar Care (Altar Society).....Fridays**  
 Altar Care this Friday, July 24 Madelene Glover. Next Friday, July 31 Gloria Quinn and Janie Gonzales.

**Guadalupanana Society Meeting.....Sunday, July 26**  
 Guadalupana Society meets every 4th Sunday of the month at 9:00 am in the Church Office Building.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #8190**



**General Meeting**

Tuesday, July 21 at 7:00 pm  
 St. John's Parish Hall

All Officers & Trustees are required to attend!

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**ASSEMBLY 3052—LOCKHART  
 2015-2016 OFFICERS**

- Faithful Friar..... Rev. Howard Goertz
- Faithful Navigator..... Willie Lopez
- Faithful Comptroller ..... Alex Martinez
- Captain..... Juan Rios
- Outer Sentinel ..... Fernando Ramirez
- Inner Sentinel..... Mikey Ramirez
- 1st yr Trustee .....D.J. Frausto
- 2nd yr Trustee..... Robert Cavanagh
- 3rd yr Trustee.....Don Bujnoch



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY  
 BLACK BAG COLLECTION  
 THIS WEEKEND, JULY 18 & 19  
 AT ALL THREE MASS  
 PLEASE BE GENEROUS.**



**ST. JOHN'S 2015 FALL FESTIVAL**



**QUEEN CANDIDATE FUNDRAISERS**

**QUEEN CANDIDATE - ANGELIQUE ZAVALA  
 SUNDAY BREAKFAST, JULY 19  
 ST. JOHN'S PARISH HALL**

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**2015 FALL FESTIVAL RAFFLE**

**DRAWING HELD SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 @ 7 PM**

**DONATION: \$1 PER TICKET OR 6 FOR \$5**

**RAFFLE TICKETS CAN BE PICKED UP OUTSIDE OF  
 CHURCH OR AT THE CHURCH OFFICE  
 DURING BUSINESS HOURS.**

**2015 DIOCESAN MISSIONARY APPEAL WEEKEND  
 SATURDAY, JULY 25—SUNDAY, JULY 26**

**INDIAN MISSION SOCIETY  
 REV. WALTER DHANWAR, IMS  
 AT ALL THREE MASSES**

**ST. MARY'S 40TH ANNUAL JAMAICA  
 205 W. Pecan, Lockhart, TX  
 JULY 24 & 25, 2015**

Activities include Arts and Crafts, Food booths, Bingo and Live Music on Friday night with Los Hermanos Farias and Saturday night with Ruben Ramos. Gates will open at 6:00 pm.

Family Fun under the stars. . . .  
 Lots of Food, Fun, Games & Music for all Ages!  
 Don't forget your Lawn Chairs!!!

For more information, contact the parish at (512) 398-4649.

July 25 & 26

	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Sat. 5:30 pm	Carrie Quinn	Patsy Anderson Jay Crowell
Sun. 8:00 am	Bertha Rodriguez	Willie Lopez Connie Lopez
Sun. 10:00 am	Alex Martinez	Martin Pratka Sharon Pratka



	<u>Altar Server</u>
Sat. 5:30 pm	Christopher Hochstein
Sun. 8:00 am	Marc Anthony Rodriguez Lydia Obregon
Sun. 10:00 am	Celina Hernandez Anthony Flores



	<u>Hospitality Ministers</u>
Sat. 5:30 pm	Alton Williams Marilyn Williams
Sun. 8:00 am	Norma Cardenas Nazario Reyna & Tony Cruz
Sun. 10:00 am	Evelyn Hernandez DJ Frausto

**GET A SUBSTITUTE IF YOU CAN NOT BE PRESENT!!!**

**\*\*FOR YOUR INFORMATION\*\***

**Baptisms:**

One class is required for parents and sponsors! The next English Baptismal Class will be Sunday, August 9 at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall.

**Bautizos**

Se requiere que los Papás y Padrinos asistan a una Clase de Bautismo. El próximo clase de Bautismo es 2 de agosto de 2015 a 11:30 am en el Salón.

**Marriage**

A six-months to one-year notice is required, please call the Church office to meet with the Pastor.

**Bodas**

De 6-meses a un año de antemano. Llama a la Oficina.

**Quinceañera Celebration**

A six months to one-year notice is required, for a Quinceañera the family must be registered in the parish and the 14 year old must be already enrolled and attending CRE Classes to be eligible to celebrate in the church. Please call the Church Office to meet with the Pastor.

**Celebrando Tus XV Años**

Registrate con 6-meses de antemano y haz una cita con el Sacerdote.

**Ministry to the Sick**

When a parishioner is hospitalized, in nursing home or homebound please contact the Church at (830) 875-5354, so that arrangements can be made for them to receive the sacraments.

**Ministerio de los enfermos**

Comunicate con la Oficina a 830-875-5354.

**Healing Service (Anointing of the Sick)**

On the 2nd Saturday of the Month immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) English & Spanish**

Saturdays from 4:45 pm - 5:15 pm and Wednesdays after 8 am Daily Mass.

**St. John's Website**

Please visit our website: [www.stjohnluling.com](http://www.stjohnluling.com)

## St. John the Evangelist

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### Saturday, July 18 “St. Camillus de Lellis; Blessed Virgin Mary”

Readings: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

**Mass: 5:30 pm** Cole McCown (BD) (Jerald & Kathy McCown)

Margarita Rodriguez† (Henry & Lilian Weber)

### Sunday, July 19 “16th Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

**Mass: 8:00 am** Eliazar Rodriguez† (BD) (Severiano & Isidra Rodriguez)

Dolores Salas† (Juanita Mendoza)

**10:00 am** For the Parish

### Monday, July 20 “St. Apollinaris”

Readings: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42

**No Mass**

**(Father Howard will be on vacation and out of the office**

**July 20—August 4; No Daily Mass will be held July 21—July 24)**

### Tuesday, July 21 “St. Lawrence of Brindisi”

Readings: Ex 14:21—15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50

### Wednesday, July 22 “St. Mary Magdalene”

Readings: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

### Thursday, July 23 “St. Bridget” (24-hour Adoration begins)

Readings: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56; Mt 13:10-17

### Friday, July 24 “St. Sharbel Makhlof”(24-Adoration concludes)

Readings: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23

### Saturday, July 25 “St. James”

Readings: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

**Mass: 5:30 pm** Ofelia Sanchez† (Family)

Margarita Rodriguez† (Juanita Mendoza)

### Sunday, July 26 “17th Sunday in Ordinary Time”

Readings: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

**Mass: 8:00 am** Para la Parroquia

**10:00 am** Anton Koncaba† (Family)



Margie Barnes, Shannon Brandom, Rev. Robert Becker,

Nicole Bujnoch, Emily Burke, Jaime Calderon, Karen S.

Cardenas, Sophia Castillo, Bill Chapman, Lincoln Contreras,

Margarito Conteras, Marilyn Cryder, Dario & Reina Flores,

Gilbert “Beto” Garcia, Rosemary Garcia, Nemesio Gomez, Francisca

Gonzales, Jesse M. Gonzales, Joel Gonzales, John Gonzales, Paul Gonzales,

Michael Hebert, Adeline Heintschel, John Houeye, Taylor Hudgins, John J.

Hyatt, Elizabeth Idrogo, Jerry Kidd, Carmen Leal, Jimmy Ledesma, Jr., Ann

Logan, Arturo Magallanez, Jimmy D. McIntoch, Juanita Mendoza, Shelley

Meyers, Annelise Miller, Diana Miranda, Mary Ann Montalbo, Sam Nuñez,

Blaise & Jean Netardus, Lucy Oliva, Isabel Orona, Alex Rodriguez, Antonia

Rodriguez, Leticia Rodriguez, Tim Stanley, Renee Spencer, Kathy Starch,

Virginia Suarez, Andres Valdez, Melissa Weiss, and Tyreese Williams.