

# St. John Berchmans Catholic Church

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**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday**  
**Ordinary Time - C**

*"Increase our Faith"*

**Gospel Reading: Lk 17:5-10**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14**  
**Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9**

The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."



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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**Pastor**

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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)

**Holy Days of Obligation:**  
 Bilingual Mass at 7pm

**Reconciliation:**  
 Saturday 4:00pm or by appointment

**Baptisms/Quinceñeras/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

**SJB School:**  
 Nora Garcia, Principal - 210-433-0411

**ACTS CORE FACILITATOR:**

**ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT:**

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

**CHOIRS:**

**CYO:**

**CAFETERIA RENTAL:**

**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:**

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**OCTOBER 5, 2025 - 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## OCTOBER 5, 2025

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### REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE

At some point, Jesus must just get exasperated with these folks. The Apostles and disciples have been following him for how long now? And they still don't understand. The kingdom of God is not about how great you are on earth, or how much faith you have. There is much work to be done. He reminds them that they are still the folks who are going to be cooking dinner when they come home in the evening. They are the servants. Their work continues until the kitchen is clean! Similarly, it is not enough for us to simply show up to church on Sunday morning. We must be servants in our daily lives. On my computer screen is a yellow sticky note that says "If serving is below you, then leadership is above you." Right now, "Servant Leadership" is a big buzzword phrase bordering on overuse, but there is a lot of truth to it. Some of the ways we may lead our families, our workgroups, our faith groups include: listening to others, showing empathy, healing yourself through work-life balance, developing your self-awareness, and being a good steward. Wrap it any way you want, it is all about being a good Christian. Have faith. Serve others. Watch it grow!

**TODAY'S READINGS:** Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

### RECUERDA QUIÉN ERES

En algún momento, Jesús debe exasperarse con esta gente. ¿Los Apóstoles y los discípulos han estado siguiéndolo desde hace cuánto tiempo? Y todavía no lo entienden. El reino de Dios no se trata de cuán grande eres en la tierra, o cuánta fe tienes. Hay mucho trabajo por hacer. Él les recuerda que todavía son las personas que van a cocinar la cena cuando lleguen a casa por la noche. Ellos son los sirvientes. Su trabajo continúa hasta que la cocina esté limpia. Del mismo modo, no basta con que nos presentemos en la iglesia el domingo por la mañana. Debemos ser siervos en nuestra vida diaria. En la pantalla de mi ordenador hay una nota adhesiva amarilla que dice "Si servir está por debajo de ti, entonces el liderazgo está por encima de ti". Ahora mismo, el "Liderazgo de Servicio" es una gran frase de moda que roza el uso excesivo, pero hay mucha verdad en ella. Algunas de las formas en las que podemos liderar nuestras familias, nuestros grupos de trabajo, nuestros grupos de fe incluyen: escuchar a los demás, mostrar empatía, curarse a sí mismo a través del equilibrio entre el trabajo y la vida, desarrollar su autoconciencia, y ser un buen administrador. Enfócalo como quieras, se trata de ser un buen cristiano. Tener fe. Sirve a los demás. Mira cómo crece.

**LECTURAS DE HOY:** Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Sal 95:1-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lc 17:5-10

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

#### OCTOBER 11TH AND OCTOBER 12TH

COMMENTATOR	1ST LECTOR	2ND LECTOR
5pm Laura Castañeda	Brandon Pesqueda	John Diaz
<b>Guadalupe Mass</b>		
9am Arleen Garcia	Marie Sanchez	Maria Alcala
11am	SCHOOL	

#### OCTOBER 18TH AND OCTOBER 19TH

COMMENTATOR	1ST LECTOR	2ND LECTOR
5pm Edna Cruz	Jessica Ramos	Angie Diaz
9am Xanthia Hernandez	Arleen Garcia	Andrew Solis
11am	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	



**Education Savings Accounts are HERE** Families have prayed for more educational choices and Texas has answered. Soon, ESAs (School Choice) will make Catholic education possible for more children. We believe faith and academics belong together every day of the week, not just on Sundays. With over 8,600 students already thriving in San Antonio, your family could be next. School Choice (ESAs) are opening doors to make this dream a reality. Join us for an information session **Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the School Cafeteria.** Learn more: [archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa](http://archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa)



### Please Pray for the Sick

#### Prayer List Updates

Sarah Contreras	Angie Canales	Bobby Gallegos II
Frances Lozano	Rosie Gallegos	Baby Wade Trinidad
Mary S. Martinez	Richard Santoyo	Simon Peter Jesus Garcia
Galilea Romero	Mickey S. Carrasco	Stephanie Perez
Iris Luna Sullivan	Elizabeth Rose Valdez	Antonio Soto
Emma O. Velasquez	Henrietta Ramos	Joe Villanueva
Raymond Sarabia	Cristina Santoyo	Danny Flores
Julissa Rodriguez	Daniel Rodriguez	Baby Marlon
Miliana Bullock	Marisol Longoria-Parker	Sara McCumba Garcia
Robert Sanchez	Jerry Salazar	Robyn Pesina
Vanessa Quintero	Baby Ezra Rios	Viola Garza
Virginia R. Lucio	Henry Castro	Gabby Ramirez
Guadalupe Rodriguez	Socorro Castillo	Reymundo Padilla
Lori Bañuelos	Alexis Ramos	Dominique Dominguez
Edith Flores	Nicole Guerra	And Baby
Isaiah Vasquez	Bryan Ramos	Elida Rocha
Gloria Rubio	Valerie Vigil	Edna Moseley
Rebecca Zuniga	Lillie Velez	Armando Cantu
Rosa Elva Villaseñor	Janie Mireles	

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 SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

MASS TIMES	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
5:00 PM	\$ NO MASS	\$	\$
9:00 AM	\$ 571.00	\$208.00	\$ 779.00
11:00 AM	\$ 913.00	\$517.00	\$ 1,430.00
2nd COLLECTION RELIGIOUS ED	\$ 35.00	\$416.90	\$ 451.90
DROP OFF	\$ 910.00	\$	\$ 910.00
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 3,570.90</b>

### SECOND COLLECTION - OCTOBER 4-5, 2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Saturday, October 4

5:00 p.m. † Natividad & Raymundo Cruz, Sr. - Cruz Family

## Sunday, October 5

9:00 a.m. † Daniel "Danny" Romero - Family  
† Daniel C. & Maria Arzola - Family

11:00 a.m. † Ryan Sanchez - Family  
† Marcus Arevalos - Family  
† Suzanne & Lily Gutierrez - Salinas Family

## Monday, October 6 - ST. BRUNO

## Tuesday, October 7 - OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

12:00 p.m.  
Gift of Life Delia Reyna - SJB Family

## Wednesday, October 8

8:15 a.m. † Justin Rey Martinez - Family

## Thursday, October 9 - ST. DENIS

12:00 p.m. † Alfonso D. Hernandez - SJB Family

## Friday, October 10

12:00 p.m. For Holy Souls in Purgatory  
For Parish Community



### THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

**For All Affected by the  
Government Shutdown  
For the Leaders of our Country**

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.

### IN MEMORIUM

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

† ANTHONY RAMIREZ  
† ALFONSO D. HERNANDEZ



### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Jonah 1 - 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37  
Tue: Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42  
Wed: Jonah 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4  
Thu: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13  
Fri: Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-16; Lk 11:15-26  
Sat: Joel 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;  
Lk 11:27-28  
Sun: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13;  
Lk 17:11-19

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Loving Church and School Community, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to each of you for your presence, prayers, and participation in the installation Mass. Your support made the celebration truly meaningful and spiritually uplifting. It was a powerful reminder of the strength and unity of our faith community. May we continue to walk together in faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, and support me with prayers.

The month of October is dedicated to the Rosary, which embodies the mystery of love—that of Mary and of Christ. Along with other events, it deepens our faith and understanding of divine, sacrificial, fraternal, and missionary love.

The mystery of love transcends time, space, and distance, connecting souls even in the most challenging circumstances. It is not merely an emotion but a fundamental part of the universe, woven into every fabric of life. As we journey through October, let us recite the Rosary and meditate upon the mysteries. Let this love guide our actions, transforming our lives and the world around us. Joining with our Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, let us pray for peace in the world.

**God bless us, Fr. Anthony**

**The Brown Scapular** is a Catholic sacramental, an external sign of devotion to Mary and a commitment to live like her. It is an outward sign of trust and love for the **Blessed Virgin Mary**, as her promise for her protection in danger, a pledge of peace, and a means of attaining eternal life for those who die wearing it. The scapular originates from a vision of **St. Simon Stock** on July 16, 1251, and is associated with the **Carmelite Order**. To prepare those who would like to receive the Scapular there will be a short ceremony of enrollment on **Sunday, October 26th after the 11 o'clock Mass**. We will include information on the Scapular during the month of October.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

WINNERS OF OUR "FALL FEST" RAFFLE

GRAND PRIZE	\$5,000	Daniel Garcia
2ND PRIZE	\$2,500	Laura Castañeda
3RD PRIZE	\$1,250	Evangelina Carrera
4TH PRIZE	\$1,000	Olga Diaz
5TH PRIZE	\$ 750	Rebecca Dominguez
6TH PRIZE	\$ 500	Delia Cantu
7TH PRIZE	\$ 500	Victoria Sanchez
8TH PRIZE	\$ 250	Elizabeth Caldwell
9TH PRIZE	\$ 250	Brandon Garcia
10th PRIZE	\$ 250	Edna Moseley
11th PRIZE	\$ 250	Chris Mateu
12th PRIZE	\$ 250	Ross Sanchez
13th PRIZE	\$ 250	Erika Lopez

We appreciate all your support to ensure this raffle was a successful event. Blessings to all!

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](http://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.



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!!

SJB Annual Turkey Bingo

DATE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

TIME: 2 P.M.

COST: \$10 for 15 games



We will have specials, prizes of cash and gift cards. Delicious food, drinks and baked goods for sale.

Tickets will be available for purchase after all weekend Masses and at the parish office. Proceeds are for the Church.



REGISTRATION

Mark your calendars! Registration opens for Winter Basketball and Cheer beginning on Sunday, October 26, 2025.

For more information, contact Michael Rodriguez at stjbcyo@gmail.com

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, October 5

- 8:30 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 9:00 a.m. MASS - Church
- 10:30 a.m. Rosary - Church
- 11:00 a.m. MASS - Church

Monday, October 6

Tuesday, October 7

12:00 p.m. COMMUNION SERVICE - Chapel

Wednesday, October 8

8:15 a.m. COMMUNION SERVICE - Church

Thursday, October 9

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel

Friday, October 10

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel

Saturday, October 11

- 8:00 a.m. Church Cleaning
- 4:30 p.m. Rosary - Church
- 5:00 p.m. MASS - Church



As we enter the month of October, we are reminded that it is the month dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God.

We encourage you to join our parish community for the recitation of the Rosary:

- 1) Half hour before our weekend Masses and
- 2) Monday thru Friday at the Grotto at 6pm.

Our Church Cleaning Ministry meets EVERY SATURDAY @ 8AM to clean our beautiful place of worship. Please join us!

MINISTRY SCHEDULED  
October 11, 2025  
VIGIL TEAM



Announcements!

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All requests must be sent by email to [osantoyo1104@gmail.com](mailto:osantoyo1104@gmail.com) and will be finalized for approval by Father Anthony. **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.