

St. John Berchmans Catholic Church

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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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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/Quinceañeras/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:
Saturday 5pm Choir
Sunday 9am Choir
Sunday 11am Choir
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:

Parish Ministries

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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.



NOVEMBER 2, 2025 - ALL SOULS' DAY

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BE WISE, BE READY

This urging to be ready for Christ's return is not intended to frighten us, but rather to focus our attention on the things that matter. Wisdom lies in seeking God in all things. With the Psalmist, the wise person prays, "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God" (Psalm 63:2b). Christ's way is not hidden from us, as though we are playing a game of hide and seek. It is "readily perceived" (Wisdom 6:12) by all who love God. We know the way through the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, Christ's great command to wash one another's feet, to love and serve with glad hearts. To act accordingly is to be wise, and those who are wise will be ready.

TODAY'S READINGS: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23; Rom 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

SÉ SABIO, PREPÁRATE

La urgencia de estar listo para la venida de Cristo no tiene la intención de espantarnos, sino al contrario, de enfocar nuestra atención en cosas que importan. La sabiduría consiste en buscar a Dios en todas las cosas. Como el salmista, la persona sabia ora diciendo "mi alma está sedienta de ti, Señor" (Salmo 63:2b). El camino de Cristo no está escondido para nosotros, como si fuera un juego de busca y encuentra. "Se deja contemplar rápidamente" (Sabiduría 6:12) por todos los que aman a Dios. Conocemos los Diez Mandamientos, las Beatitudes, el mandamiento de Jesús de lavar los pies uno al otro, amar y servir con corazones alegres. Comportarse correctamente es ser sabio, y aquellas personas que sean sabias estarán listas.

LECTURAS DE HOY: Sab 31-9; Sal 23;; Rom 5:5-11; Juan 6:37-40



Please Pray for the Sick

Prayer List Updates



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

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.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 8TH AND 9TH 2025

COMMENTATOR	1ST LECTOR	2ND LECTOR
5pm Victor Araguz	Edna Cruz	Annie Salinas
9am Marie Sanchez	Arleen Garcia	Maria Alcala
11am	SCHOOL	

NOVEMBER 15TH AND 16TH 2025

COMMENTATOR	1ST LECTOR	2ND LECTOR
5pm Laura Castañeda	John Diaz	Sylvia Lore
9am Xantia Hernandez	Stella Rico	Oralia Cantu
11am	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	

ST. JOHN BERCHMANS SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2025 AT 6PM IN SCHOOL CAFETERIA.

We welcome all parents and guardians of children attending public, charter, or private schools who are interested in learning more about the **Education Savings Account (ESA)** - School Choice Program. What is the Texas ESA Program? In 2025, the Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 2 (SB 2), establishing a statewide ESA / school choice-program. Applications for the program open in January 2026 for the 2026-2027 school year.

BURGER IN A BAG

DATE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9
COST: \$10 TIME: 11AM-3PM DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR RAFFLE AND FUNDRAISER IN PARISH OFFICE AND SCHOOL OFFICE.



STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 26, 2025

MASS TIMES	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
5:00 PM	\$ 935.00	\$ 188.00	\$ 1,123.00
9:00 AM	\$ 472.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 584.00
11:00 AM	\$ 630.00	\$ 410.00	\$ 1,040.00
2nd COLLECTION SJB SCHOOL	\$ 351.00	\$ 534.00	\$ 885.00
DROP OFF	\$ 275.00	\$	\$ 275.00
ON LINE GIVING	\$ 205.00	\$	\$ 205.00
	GRAND TOTAL		\$ 4,112.00

SECOND COLLECTION - NOVEMBER 1-2, 2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 1

8:00 a.m. All Saints Day
 5:00 p.m. † Daniel "Danny" Romero - Family
 † Jose, Juana & Jesus Castillo - Family
 † Ignacio Gomez - Family
 † Beatrice Gomez - Family
 † Benjamin Valdez - Family

Sunday, November 2

9:00 a.m. † Ernesto & Pilar L. Rubio - Alma Rubio
 † Daniel "Danny" Romero - Family
 † Juan C. Velasquez - Family
 † Emerald Ramirez - Family

 11:00 a.m. † Drew Luna - Family
 † Pablo Luna - Family
 † Nasario & Estella Jaramillo - Family
 † Isidro Mata - Kimberly & Koko
 † Luis Duran, Sr. - Wife & Family
 † Irene G. Valdez - Family

Monday, November 3 - ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

Tuesday, November 4 - ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

12:00 p.m. Health Nancy Ramirez - SJB Family
 Gift of Life Olivia Santoyo - Family

Wednesday, November 5

8:15 a.m. † Maria Polanco - SJB Family

Thursday, November 6

12:00 p.m. For Our Parish Community

Friday, November 7

12:00 p.m. For Our Parish Community



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

**For the Unemployed
 For All Who Are Ill and Suffering**

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: Rom 11:29-38; Ps 69:30-37 ; Lk 14:12-14
 Tue: Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1-3; Lk 14:15-24
 Wed: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
 Thu: Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1- 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
 Fri: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
 Sat: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11;
 Lk 16:9-15

NEED YOUR HELP! SJB ANNUAL TURKEY BINGO

DATE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16
TIME: 2 P.M. COST: \$10 for 15 games
LOCATION: SJB Cafeteria
 Humbly asking for help to donate prizes for the Super Special games. They must be new and value of \$10 or more. Proceeds are for the Church.



Dear People of God ,

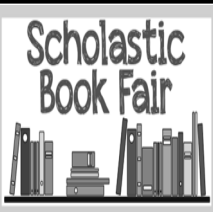
Rejoice and wait in the hope of the Lord, is the underlying theme of this month of November. This month starts with praying with all the Saints, and all the Faithful Departed and ends with the Season of Advent.

Also, we enter into a new liturgical year with the season of advent at the end of this month. On the first day of the month, as we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints Day, we are all inspired by the lives of Saints and are asked to imitate them in following the life of Jesus. As we pray for all the faithful departed on All Souls Day, we celebrate our hope in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.

On the Sunday before Advent, we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. We hail our Lord Jesus Christ as King of the Universe. This feast reminds us, "at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus is Lord" (Phil 2:10,11).

A new liturgical year begins with the First Sunday of Advent. The Lord wants us to be alert and awake, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect (Mat 24: 47). So let us prepare ourselves well with hope in God.

God Bless you,
 Fr. Anthony



ST. JOHN BERCHMANS SCHOOL will be holding their Fall Book Fair Sunday Nov. 2nd from 8:30am - 2:30pm and Monday Nov. 3rd through Friday, Nov. 7, from 7:30am to 4:30pm daily. Thursday, Nov. 6 until 6:30 pm.

We will have a table set up to have grandparents and grandchildren paint character or kindness rocks. Parents are welcome to come in and listen to some live music and some read alouds while making their purchases.

GIFT OF GIVING

The tradition continues! Our Parish is blessed to have a wonderful church and community. This year we have an opportunity to show our thanks again by sharing our blessings with others. Next weekend, we will be distributing brown bags after each mass to collect items and provide families in our community a Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings. The brown bag will have a list attached with the items needed.

We are asking for your help to deliver bags to the families on Saturday, November 22. If you are available, please contact Dolores Guardiola at (210) 380-0192 or the Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support.

PARISH MUSIC MINISTRY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Do you enjoy singing or playing an instrument? Our parish music ministry is seeking **volunteer musicians** to help lead the congregation in joyful worship at Mass.

We welcome singers (all voice parts) and instrumentalists of all ages and experience levels who wish to share their musical gifts in service to God and our parish community.

Come be a part of our wonderful ministry that brings our liturgy to life through music and prayer! *"He who sings prays twice." -St. Augustine*



Sunday, November 2

9:00 a.m. MASS - Church
11:00 a.m. ALL SOULS DAY/ MASS - Church

Monday, November 3

Tuesday, November 4

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel

Wednesday, November 5

8:15 a.m. SCHOOL MASS - Church

Thursday, November 6

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel

Friday, November 7

12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel

Saturday, November 8

8:00 a.m. Church Cleaning

5:00 p.m. MASS - Church

MANDATORY TRAINING

All current & prospective Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers are invited to attend our upcoming training. This is a wonderful opportunity to broaden your understanding of these important liturgical ministries and renew your commitment to serving our parish community during the celebration of the Mass.

Training will be held at 6:30 pm on:
Tuesday, November 11th: LECTORS
Thursday, November 13th:
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Who Should Attend:

- All new volunteers interested in becoming Lectors or Extraordinary Ministers
- Current ministers **MUST** attend for refresher training and recommissioning
- Come learn, and serve as we grow together in faith and love for the Eucharist and the Word of God.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office or your mass coordinator.

Once again, this is a Mandatory meeting! If you do not attend, you will not be scheduled to serve.



CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE FORMING!

We're preparing for a joyful Christmas season and need volunteers to help plan our parish celebrations. If you love organizing, decorating or sharing holiday cheer, come join our Christmas

Committee!

We're also seeking a Committee Chair to help lead the team. Contact Dolores Guardiola at 210-380-0192 or the parish office for additional information. Let's make this Christmas season one to remember!

Our Church Cleaning Ministry meets every Saturday at 8am. Help us clean our beautiful place of worship.

MINISTRY SCHEDULED
NOVEMBER 8, 2025
ST. JOHN BERCHMANS SCHOOL



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All requests must be sent by email to 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.