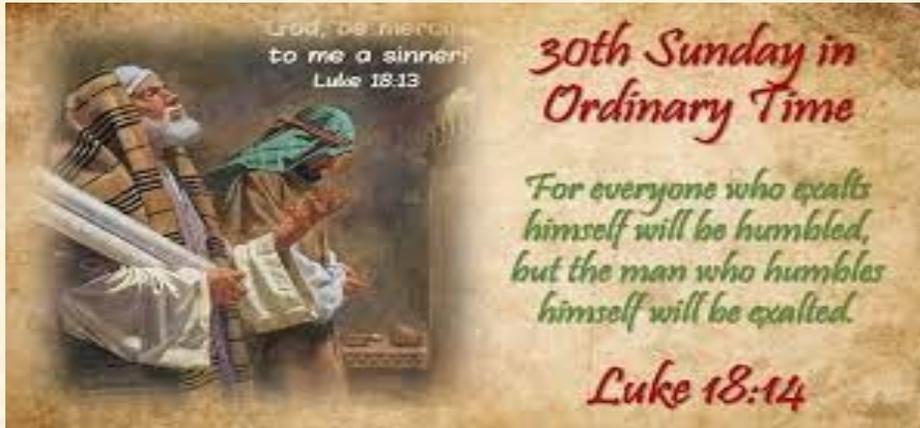


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Welcoming and liturgical community celebrating the spiritual needs of God's people in the spirit of St. John Berchmans.
"My penance is to live the common life. I will pay greatest attention to the least inspiration of God." - St. John Berchmans

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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/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:
Saturday 5pm Choir
Sunday 9am Choir
Sunday 11am Choir
CYO:
CAFETERIA RENTAL:
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:
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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.



OCTOBER 26, 2025 - 30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 26, 2025

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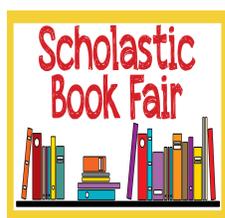
DO WE?

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel tells the story of two people. The Pharisee is puffed up with his own importance. His prayer is more a statement of self-justification in which he positions himself as being above the rest of humanity. So much so that he prays to himself, thanking God that he is so much better than everyone else! The tax collector on the other hand raises his eyes to God and acknowledges his sinfulness. He is the one Jesus says is justified, exalted in God's sight. What about us? Are we so puffed up with our own importance, so caught up in the stuff of our daily lives that we fail to recognize our failings or to see the needs of the people around us? This week, let us ask the Lord to pierce our hearts, help us to genuinely admit our failings, and truly live as followers of the one who gave his life so that all might live life to the fullest. God hears the cries of the weakest and relies on us to respond.

TODAY'S READINGS: Sir 35:12-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-23; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

¿LO HACEMOS?

La parábola de Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy cuenta la historia de dos personas. El fariseo se enorgullece de su propia importancia. Su oración es más bien una declaración de auto justificación en la que se sitúa por encima del resto de la humanidad. Tanto es así que reza para sí mismo, dando gracias a Dios por ser mucho mejor que los demás. El recaudador de impuestos, por el contrario, levanta los ojos hacia Dios y reconoce su pecaminosidad. Él es el que Jesús dice que está justificado, exaltado a los ojos de Dios. ¿Y nosotros? ¿Estamos tan engreídos con nuestra propia importancia, tan atrapados en las cosas de nuestra vida diaria que no reconocemos nuestros fallos ni vemos las necesidades de la gente que nos rodea? Esta semana,



ST. JOHN BERCHMANS SCHOOL will be holding their Fall Book Fair from Friday, October 31st - Friday, November 7, from 7:30 am - 4:30 pm daily. Closed Saturday but open on Sunday from 8:30am - 2:30pm. They will also stay open on 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.

JOIN US FOR OUR INFORMATION NIGHT TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2025 AT 6PM IN THE 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.



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.



Thanks for Your Support!

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 19, 2025

MASS TIMES	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
5:00 PM	\$ 718.00	\$ 227.00	\$ 945.00
9:00 AM	\$ 647.00	\$ 512.00	\$ 1,159.00
11:00 AM	\$ 493.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 833.00
2nd COLLECTION WORLD MISSION	\$ 377.00	\$ 293.50	\$ 670.50
DROP OFF	\$ 245.00	\$	\$ 245.00
	GRAND TOTAL		\$ 3,852.50

SECOND COLLECTION - OCTOBER 25-26, 2025
ST. JOHN BERCHMANS SCHOOL

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 25

5:00 p.m. † Henry Vidal - Wife & Family
 † Justin Rey Martinez - Family
Gift of Life Mark Delgado - Friend

Sunday, October 26

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

 11:00 a.m. † Marcus Arevalos - Family
 † Jose J. Arzola - Teresa Arzola
 † Suzanne & Lily Gutierrez - Salinas Family
 † Ryan Sanchez - Family
 † Ruben V. Garza - Friends

Monday, October 27

Tuesday, October 28 - STS. SIMON AND JUDE

12:00 p.m. Holy Souls In Purgatory
Health Nancy Ramirez - Money Counters
Gift of Life Dominic Jude Santoyo - Family

Wednesday, October 29

8:15 a.m. † Raquel Gonzales - SJB Family
Gift of Life Matthew Beltran - Family

Thursday, October 30

12:00 p.m. † Martin & Margaret Burrell- SJB Family

Friday, October 31

12:00 p.m. † Deacon Librado Cena - SJB Family
Health Deacon Jose Diaz - SJB Family



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE
Ricky Lopez Family
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.

St. John Berchmans Catholic School - San Antonio
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 San Antonio, TX 78226

and
 Catholic Life Insurance Branch 101
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CHARITABLE RAFFLES
 All proceeds from the sale of this ticket benefit St. John Berchmans Catholic School - San Antonio

Charitable Raffles Grand Prize
\$20,000 worth of PREPAID VISA GIFT CARDS
Drawn from tickets sold by all schools participating in the raffle

St. John Berchmans Catholic School - San Antonio
\$1,000 PREPAID VISA CARD
Drawn from tickets sold by their school

CATHOLIC LIFE INSURANCE



19th ANNUAL
\$5 each

School must turn in tickets by Friday, January 23, 2026.

All prizes to be awarded on Friday, February 13, 2026

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:12a; Lk 13:10-17
 Tue: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5a; Lk 6:12-16
 Wed: Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-6a; Lk 13:22-30
 Thu: Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-26b; Lk 13:31-35
 Fri: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12



Dear Parishioners and Friends,
 While October 31st is widely known as “Halloween” in secular culture, in the Catholic context, it is “**The Vigil of All Saints**,” also known as *All Hallows’ Eve*. Let us focus on the holiness of Saints rather than secular Halloween customs. So, to celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints we have mass at 8:00am, on Saturday.

As we look to the Solemnity of All Saints we ask for the intercession of all the holy men and women who have gone before us, especially those unknown to the world, but precious in God’s eyes. May we, like them, seek holiness in our daily lives, and trust that with God’s grace we too may one day rejoice in Your eternal presence.

On the 2nd we commemorate “All Souls”. One of the most mysterious, yet unavoidable, aspects of life is the inevitable reality of death. Even as we are faced with questions, mysteries, and fears regarding after-life events, we hope that those who have gone before us are with God to intercede for us. November is a month dedicated to praying for the faithful departed, as we are invited to pray for those souls who are awaiting judgment. The purpose is not to instill a fear in the faithful about those who are dead, or about the impending judgment, but to prepare ourselves to look forward to being with God and live with Him for eternity. So, let us keep the faithful departed in our daily prayers.

God Bless you,
 Fr. Anthony

THE BROWN SCAPULAR

Our Lady of Mount Carmel promised to save those who wear the brown Scapular from the fires of hell. She will shorten their time in purgatory if they should pass from this world still owing debt of punishment. The Blessed Mother appeared to Pope John XXIII and said, “I, the Mother of Grace, shall descent on the Saturday after the death of one who devoutly wore the brown Scapular and fulfilled the conditions. I shall free the one so that I may lead the one to the holy mountain of everlasting. This promise is found I an official document written by Pope John XXIII.



You invited for a short ceremony where you will receive the Scapular on Sunday, October 26th for the enrollment after the 11 o’clock Mass.

ALL SOULS DAY REMEMBRANCE

Please join us on Sunday, November 2nd at the 11AM Mass as we honor the faithfully departed from our parish community.



EARLY VOTING PERIOD

Currently underway through Friday, October 31, 2025 from 7AM - 7PM. All registered voters must bring their I.D. and may vote at a convenient voting center.

On the ballot: Seventeen

Constitutional Amendments and Propositions A & B
Election Day: Tuesday, November 4th

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

**MINISTRY SCHEDULED
NOVEMBER 1, 2025
CYO/GUADALUPANAS**

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday, October 26

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

Monday, October 27

- 6:00 p.m. Rosary - Grotto

Tuesday, October 28

- 12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary - Grotto

Wednesday, October 29

- 8:15 a.m. SCHOOL MASS - Church
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary - Grotto

Thursday, October 30

- 12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary - Grotto

Friday, October 31

- 12:00 p.m. MASS - Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary - Grotto

Saturday, November 1

- 8:00 a.m. MASS - ALL SAINTS DAY
- 9:00 a.m. Men's Club Meeting - School Cafeteria
- 5:00 p.m. MASS - Church



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour!

One other important thing to do is to change out batteries for your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

NEED YOUR HELP! SJB ANNUAL TURKEY BINGO

DATE: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

TIME: 2 P.M. COST: \$10 for 15 games

LOCATION: SJB Cafeteria

We are humbly asking for your help to donate prizes for the Super Special game. They must be new and value of \$10 or more

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, Oct. 31- SJB School Trunk or Treat Parade

Saturday, Nov. 1 - All Saints Day Mass at 8AM

Saturday, Nov. 1 - Men's Club Meeting @ 9AM

Sunday, November 2 - All Souls Remembrance

Sunday, November 9 - SJB Burger in a Bag

Sunday, November 16 - Turkey Bingo

November 24-28 SJB School Closed

November 27, 28 - Parish Office Closed

St. John Berchmans Faith Formation invites you to a free movie under the stars (around bell tower - bring your chairs/wagons/blankets)

Saturday, November 1, 2025 6:30pm-8:30pm

Presenting COCO movie starts at 7pm

Bring photos and treats to add to our community ofrenda

CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE TO BENEFIT FAITH FORMATION



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.