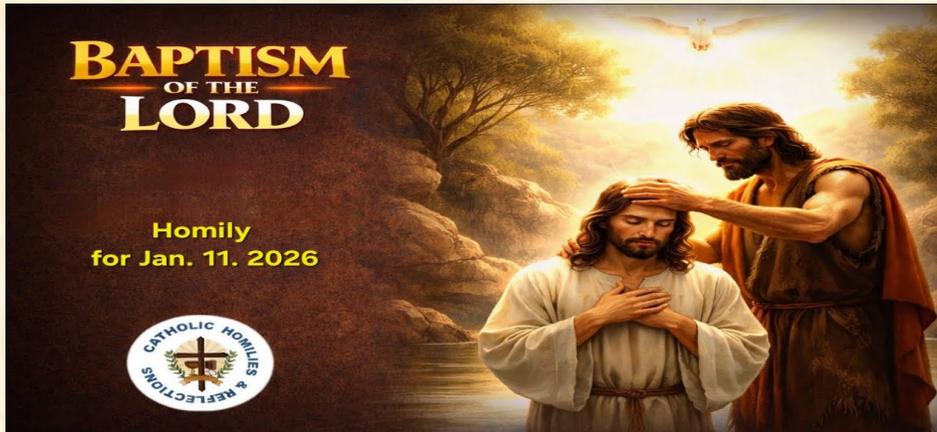


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Homily
for Jan. 11, 2026



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

• Deacon Luis Guardiola •

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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/Quinceañera/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
Every Other Week

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

Parish Ministries

ACTS CORE FACILITATOR:
ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT:
ALTAR SERVERS:
ALTAR SOCIETY:
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:

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LITURGY COMMITTEE:
OCIA/OCIC:
PASTORAL COUNCIL:
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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.



JANUARY 11, 2026 - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

CHRIST'S MISSION IS OUR MISSION

As Jesus came out of the baptismal waters, the Holy Spirit descended upon him and a voice from the heavens was heard saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." In joining himself to humanity, Jesus opened the heavens for us, and in doing so, was confirmed in his mission of mercy and love. In baptism, we are joined with Christ. Immersed into his life and love, his mission is our mission. It is still early in this new year. Today, reflect on your baptismal call to live as a member of Christ's body. In what ways do you love God and others? In what ways might you grow as a disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ? How are you living the mission of Christ, to make God's love and mercy known in the world? Is Christ's mission your mission?

Today's Readings: Is 42:1-7; Ps 29:1-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

LA MISIÓN DE CRISTO ES NUESTRA MISIÓN

Al salir Jesús de las aguas del bautismo, el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre él y una voz de los cielos se escuchó diciendo: "Este es mi Hijo muy amado, en quien tengo mis complacencias". Al unirse él mismo a la humanidad, Jesús abrió los cielos para nosotros, y al hacerlo, fue confirmado en su misión de misericordia y amor. En el bautismo, nos unimos con Cristo. Inmersos en su vida y amor, su misión es nuestra misión. Todavía estamos al principio de este año nuevo. Hoy, reflexiona en nuestra llamada bautismal para vivir como miembros del cuerpo de Cristo. ¿De qué manera amas a Dios en los demás? ¿De qué manera podrías crecer como discípulo de nuestro Señor Jesucristo? ¿Cómo estás viviendo la misión de Cristo, para dar a conocer el amor y la misericordia de Dios en el mundo? ¿Es la misión de Cristo tu misión?

Lecturas de hoy: Is 42:1-7; Sal 29:1-10; Hch 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

LECTOR SCHEDULE
JANUARY 17TH AND 18TH

	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>1st Lector</u>	<u>2nd Lector</u>
5pm	Laura Castañeda	Annie Salinas	John Diaz
9am	Arleen Garcia	Xanthia Hernandez	Oralia Cantu
11am	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		

JANUARY 24TH AND 25TH

	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>1st Lector</u>	<u>2nd Lector</u>
5pm	Maria Enrique	Angie Diaz	Brandon Pesqueda
9am	Marie Sanchez	Juan Piña	Andrew Solis
11am	Arleen Garcia	CYO	CYO

ST. JOHN BERCHMANS SCHOOL

GOOD LUCK to the St. John Berchmans Cheerleading Squad who is competing at NCA School Nationals on January 24th & 25th in Fort Worth, Texas. They remain the only Elementary cheerleading squad to attend NCA Nationals in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Please keep our cheer team in prayer.

MAKE NOTE OF DATES

The Texas Comptroller's office has announced that the new Education Savings Account (ESA) program, established by the Texas Legislature earlier this year, will now be called Texas Education Freedom Accounts. This new name highlights the program's goal of empowering parents to choose the best educational options for their children.

Important Reminder: The application period opens on February 4 2026. Applications for Hope for the Future are now open!

Every family's journey looks different—but every path can lead to a catholic education rooted in faith and excellence. You can apply early to receive priority consideration for tuition assistance.

Early Verification Window: Now - January 31.

Begin your path today:

<https://onlinefactsmgmt.com/aid>
God Bless, Nora Garcia - Principal



Please Pray for the Sick

Prayer List Updates



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

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 JANUARY 4, 2026

<u>MASS TIMES</u>	<u>ENVELOPES</u>	<u>LOOSE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
5:00 PM	\$ 380.00	\$ 420.00	\$ 800.00
9:00 AM	\$ 1,055.00	\$ 114.00	\$ 1,169.00
11:00 AM	\$ 610.00	\$ 359.75	\$ 969.75
SOLEMNITY OF MARY MASS	\$	\$	\$ 535.00
RELIGIOUS ED.			\$ 505.69
ON LINE GIVING	\$		\$ 85.00
MAIL IN/DROP OFF			\$ 1,679.00
			GRAND TOTAL \$ 5,743.44

SECOND COLLECTION - JANUARY 10-11, 2026
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 10

5:00 p.m. † Maria c. Arzola - Family
 † Maria Elena Martinez - Family
 † Joe Villanueva - Family

Sunday, January 11

9:00 a.m. † Aurora Terrazas - Angelita T. Canales
 † Natividad Cardenas - Family
 † Olga V. Santoyo - Family

11:00 a.m. † Ryan Sanchez - Family
 † Suzanne Gutierrez - Salinas Family
 † Lillie Gutierrez - Salinas Family



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

For World Peace
For the Hungry, the Homeless and
the Unemployed
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:

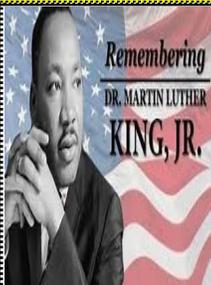
† JOSE B. VASQUEZ, JR.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20
 Tue: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-7, 8abcd;
 Mk 1:21-28
 Wed: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2-10; Mk 1:29-39
 Thu: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-25; Mk 1:40-45
 Fri: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12
 Sat: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7;
 Mk 2:13-17

REMINDER FOR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you ordered poinsettia/s in memory of a loved one, you are welcome to pick up them up, after the 11 o'clock Mass on January 11th. Please see Ms. Gloria Guardiola for pickup.



The Parish office and School will be closed on **Monday, January 19, 2026** in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

"Make a career of humanity. Commit yourself to the noble struggle for equal rights. You will make a better person of yourself, a greater nation of your country, and a finer world to live in."

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear People of God:

With today's feast - Baptism of the Lord, we conclude the joyful season of Christmas.

The Gospel passage has told us how God's son manifested to the world. The angels told the Shepherds that a Savior had been born in Bethlehem. The Magi followed the star to give homage to the newborn King. The young Jesus amazed the teachers in the temple.

Today we hear that in Jesus' baptism, the Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove and the Father's voice could be heard saying, "You are my beloved Son."

We rejoice today, for the Son of God continually reveals himself to us.

Sincerely in Christ, Father Anthony

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2026

This year's offertory envelopes have been mailed to your home and will be mailed every other month. The packet will contain envelopes for 2 months.

If you have not received your envelopes, we ask that you please contact the parish office either by phone or in person.

Thank you and we are grateful for your continued support of our parish community.

2025 TAX LETTERS

You may request your 2025 tax letter by calling the Parish office at (210) 434-2347.

Tax letters will be available for pickup the week of January 26th.



POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2026 FOR PRAYER FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Let us pray that praying the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Looking for a New Year's Resolution?
Consider joining the Adult Faith Enrichment Group on **Wednesdays in the Formation House at 10am starting January 14th** to study the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

We look forward to seeing you there.



The St. John Berchmans Altar Society will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 6:30pm in the church.**

ST. TIMOTHY ACTS CORE RETREATS PURSE BINGO



**50/50 SPLIT
CASH DONATIONS
SNACK BAR**

**PLAY FOR A CAUSE!
WIN DESIGNER PURSES!**

PURSE BINGO TICKET-\$50

10 Bingo Cards/1 Snack Ticket/
1 Drink Ticket/Raffle Ticket
A Chance to Win a Luxury Designer Purse
with Every Bingo Win!

VIP TABLES - \$800

8 Guests Per Table
Extra Set of Bingo Cards per Guest/1 Bonus
Raffle Ticket per Guest/2 Bottles of Wine
& 1 Appetizer Plate

Additional bingo cards will be available
for purchase at event for \$25

St. Timothy Church Hall

1515 Saltillo

Saturday, February 7, 2026

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE

DOORS OPEN AT 11:30 — BINGO 1:00-4:00

CONTACT MALENA OLGUIN @ 210-232-4944

DIANE LEDESMA @ 210-473-5038

NORMA FLORES @210-983-5003

**EVERONE MUST HAVE A TICKET TO ENTER.
ONLY 200 TICKETS SOLD.**



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT REQUESTS

Send requests by email to osantoyo1104@gmail.com

Requests will be finalized upon approval .

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.



**9 DAYS FOR LIFE
JANUARY 16-24**

Pray to protect human life!

Join Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life! You can download the novena or get the daily prayers and reflections by email or text message.

9DAYSFORLIFE.COM



ST. JOHN BERCHMANS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Will be hosting a BBQ Plate Sale on **Sunday, January 25, 2026** in the school cafeteria.
BBQ Chicken, Sausage, Rice, Beans & Bread
COST: \$12 per plate SERVING TIME: 11 AM - 3 PM

Pastries and drinks will be available at an additional cost. Thank you for your continued support!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, January 14, 2026 - 10am
Adult Faith Enrichment Class - Formation House

Saturday, January 17, 2026

Church Cleaning
Ministry Assigned - ACTS & CCD

Monday, January 19, 2026

PARISH OFFICE & SCHOOL CLOSED
Martin Luther King Holiday

Sunday, January 25, 2026 - 11am - 3pm

St. John Berchmans School BBQ Plate Sale
Tickets available at school and parish office

OUT OF OFFICE

Father Anthony Will be Out of Office thru **Saturday, January 24th 2026.**

There Will be **NO WEEKDAY MASSES** during that time.

Only Communion Service on Wednesdays at 8:15am.