

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/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
Every Other Week

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ACTS CORE FACILITATOR:
ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT:
ALTAR SERVERS:
ALTAR SOCIETY:
CHOIRS:
Saturday 5pm Choir
Sunday 9am Choir
Sunday 11am Choir
CYO:
CAFETERIA:
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:

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.



MARCH 15, 2026 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SEE THROUGH THE EYES OF FAITH

When Samuel met the sons of Jesse, he thought he could see the one the Lord would anoint. He found the grace, however, to see through the eyes of faith and respond by anointing David, who would become the king of Israel. Jesus opened the eyes of the man who was born blind. We do not know how many others' eyes were opened that day, as they saw Jesus as the source of light and life. We can learn from Samuel and Jesus, bringing our darkness to the light through faith. When we look at life through God's eyes, we see endless possibility for goodness, holiness, grace, and peace.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

VER CON LOS OJOS DE LA FE

Cuando Samuel conoció a los hijos de Jesé, pensó que podía ver al que el Señor ungiría. Sin embargo, encontró la gracia de ver a través de los ojos de la fe y respondió ungiendo a David, que se convertiría en el rey de Israel. Jesús abrió los ojos del ciego de nacimiento. No sabemos a cuántos otros se les abrieron los ojos aquel día, al ver a Jesús como fuente de luz y de vida. Podemos aprender de Samuel y de Jesús, trayendo nuestra oscuridad a la luz a través de la fe. Cuando miramos la vida a través de los ojos de Dios, vemos infinitas posibilidades de bondad, santidad, gracia y paz.

LECTURAS DE HOY: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Sal 23 :1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Ef 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

LECTOR SCHEDULE
MARCH 14TH AND MARCH 15TH

	Commentator	1st Lector	2nd Lector
5pm	Juan Piña	Rosemarie Mayhan	Gilbert Mendiola
9am	Alice Esparza	Marie Sanchez	Maria Alcala
11am	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		

TEFA APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN
LAS SOLICITUDES ESTÁN ABIERTAS
ENDS MARCH 17TH

MY FAMILY CAN GET HELP PAYING FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL — THANKS TO TEFA! LEARN MORE.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS — ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO —
sacatholicschools.org
 @sacatholicschools

TEXAS EDUCATION FREEDOM ACCOUNTS
 Funded in part by you

SCAN TO LEARN MORE
 ESCANEE PARA CONOCER MÁS

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK
ENDING MARCH 8, 2026

Please Pray for the Sick
Prayer List Updates

Sarah Contreras	Mickey S. Carrasco	Armando Cantu
Frances Lozano	Elizabeth Rose Valdez	Tere Peña
Mary S. Martinez	Henrietta Ramos	Irma Brunn
Galilea Romero	Cristina Santoyo	Olga Serna
Iris Luna Sullivan	Marisol Longoria-Parker	Ruben Martinez
Emma O. Velasquez	Jerry Salazar	Oralia Rodriguez
Raymond Sarabia	Baby Ezra Rios	Monica Rodriguez
Miliana Bullock	Socorro Castillo	Daniel Vasquez
Robert Sanchez	Valerie Vigil	Leticia Martinez
Vanessa Quintero	Baby Wade Trinidad	Jesusita Fischer
Virginia R. Lucio	Simon Peter Jesus Garcia	Nicole Guerra
Guadalupe Rodriguez	Danny Flores	James R. Navarro
Lori Bañuelos	Baby Marlon	Gloria Gil
Edith Flores	Sara McCumba Garcia	Leonard Rodriguez
Isaiah Vasquez	Robyn Pesina	Guadalupe Gomez
Gloria Rubio	Reymundo Padilla	Benito Tenorio
Angie Canales	Juan G. Valenzuela	Lorenas Grandson
Rosie Gallegos		Infant Austin Catz
Richard Santoyo		David Castillo

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.

MASS TIMES	ENVELOPES	LOOSE	TOTAL
5:00 PM	\$ 470.00	\$ 209.00	\$ 679.00
9:00 AM	\$ 537.00	\$ 143.00	\$ 680.00
11:00 AM	\$ 631.00	\$ 376.00	\$ 1,007.00
ALTAR FLOWERS			\$ 725.55
MAIL IN/DROP OFF			\$ 700.00
		GRAND TOTAL	\$ 3,791.55

SECOND COLLECTION
MARCH 14 - 15, 2026

ARCHDIOCESE SPECIAL COLLECTION
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 14

5:00 p.m. † Daniel & Irene Arzola - Olga Diaz
 † Joe Villanueva - Family
 † Elisa Flores - Family

Sunday, March 15

9:00 a.m. † Daniel C. & Maria C. Arzola - Family
 † Cecilia Espinoza - Family
 † Gabriel & Guadalupe Gomez - Family
 † Dora Valdemar - Family
 † Dora Duran - SJB Family

Gift of Life Ray Garza - Family

Special Blessing Marie Sanchez - Family

11:00 a.m. † Ryan Sanchez - Family
 † Suzanne & Lily Gutierrez - Salinas Family
 † Josefa Ledesma - Family
 † Ruben D. Lopez - Family
 † Richard Torres - Family
 † Dora Duran - SJB Family

Tuesday, March 17 - ST. PATRICK

12:00 p.m.
Gift of Life Ruben Martinez - Family

Wednesday, March 18 - ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

8:15 a.m. For Holy Souls in Purgatory
For Healing David Castillo - SJB Family

Thursday, March 19 - ST. JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00 p.m. **Special Blessing**
 Juan & Maria Valenzuela - Arocha Family

Friday, March 20

12:00 p.m. For Our Parish Community
For Healing Monica Rodriguez

IN MEMORIUM

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

**DORA DURAN
 AMELIA HERRERA
 GILBERT PENA JR.**



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

**For the Hungry, the Homeless and the Unemployed
 For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
 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.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear St. John Berchmans Family,

March is a month that reminds us of the reality of the cross. Jesus walks the road of suffering as one who fully enters human pain, injustice, and betrayal. Yet the cross is never the final word. Even in the shadow of Calvary, hope quietly takes root. Lent trains our eyes to see that God is at work even in darkness, preparing resurrection where we least expect it.

St. Joseph understood this truth very well and waited in silence. Silence brings peace and harmony within. God speaks to us in the silence of our hearts. It helps us to listen to the Spirit of God, just like St. Joseph. What can we learn from the life of St. Joseph today? Possibly, we can imbibe some of his qualities such as patience, trust, kindness, humility, gentleness, sensitivity, care, love and ability to work hard. These qualities can enable us to be silent servants in our lives. Lent is a perfect time to contemplate on these virtues.

Please join us for our Lenten Mission on Wednesday, Thursday 18th & 19th in our church.

Blessing, Father Anthony

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
 Tue: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
 Wed: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145: 8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
 Thu: 2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89: 2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13,16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
 Fri: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Sat: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
 Sun: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, March 18 @ 10 AM
Adult Faith Enrichment Class - Formation House
6:30pm *LENTEN TALK in the Church
Rev. Jose Antonio Caballero, Presenter

Thursday, March 19 @ 6:30pm
LENTEN TALK in the Church
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Friday, March 20 @ 6pm Stations of the Cross
Ministry Assigned: Religious Ed / Choirs

Saturday, March 21 @ 8:00am - Church Cleaning
Ministry Assigned: Altar Servers / Hospitality

Tuesday, March 24 @ 6:30pm
Confessions



CONFESSIONS

Lent is a time when we try to come closer to our Heavenly Father. During lent one can make the extra effort to come to daily mass more often and, it is also the time to reconsider the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**.

Please come and reconcile with the Lord on **Tuesday March 24th @ 6:30pm** in the Church. We will have several priests available to hear confessions. Remember it is your responsibility to confess your sins at least once a year and we can see the love and mercy of the risen Lord Jesus.



ACTS ANNUAL FISH FRY
Friday, March 20th
Friday, March 27th

\$12 per plate

Fish, Corn on the cob, coleslaw, green beans, bread, drink & condiments.
Tickets will be sold after all masses.

SJB GUADALUPANA ORGANIZATION

Thank You So Much!

THANKS to all who attended the Guadalupe Meat Bingo this past weekend. It was a great success and everyone had a great time. We thank you for your support!

40 DAYS OF LENT : 40 CANS FOOD DRIVE
St. John Berchmans Church
Good Samaritan Pantry

"For I was hungry and you gave me food"
 -Matthew 25:35

TAKE THE 40 CAN CHALLENGE
 During the 40 days of Lent, bring one can a day - or 40 at once to help families in need. Donate now and through Easter Sunday.

Donate Non-Perishable items:
 Soups & beans. Macaroni/cheese boxes
 Pasta & rice. Canned vegetables & fruit
 Peanut butter. Fideo/ vermicelli
 Cereal Canned tuna/ spam

Blue bins are stationed in the church foyer and Parish office.
PRAY, FAST, GIVE

Bus Tour to 7 churches

\$15 per person ; 52 seats available
Deadline to sign up Friday, March 20th
 Pay & Reserve your seat at the parish office during office hours.

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In Honor or Loving Memory of a

Honor or remember a special loved one this Easter by sponsoring an

Easter Lily for \$15

Sponsored by the Altar Society Ministry

Names you submit will be placed in our Mass Petition Book and presented on the altar at the Easter Vigil & Easter Sunday Mass.

How to Participate:

- ★ Place your Easter Lily envelope in the Collection Basket.
- ★ Or drop it off at the Church Office.

Thank you for filling our church with beauty, remembrance, and prayer this Easter season!

BOOTS, BETS & BLING
CASINO NIGHT

Games • Fun • Prizes
POKER • RAFFLES • FOOD • MUSIC
SATURDAY, MARCH 21 | 6 PM
TICKET \$50