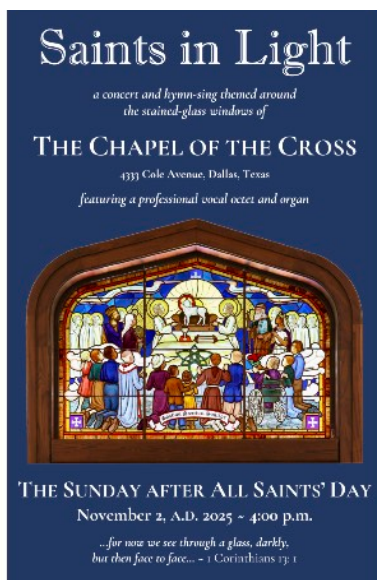


CROSSTIES

CHAPEL HAPPENINGS



All Saints' Day

Saturday, November 1

Saints in Light Concert

Sunday, Nov. 2, 4:00 PM

Women's Day Cuban Coffee Hour

Sunday, Nov. 2, 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Veterans Day

Tuesday, November 11

Thanksgiving Day

Holy Communion, 10:30 AM
Thursday, November 27

Saint Andrew, the Apostle (transferred)

Monday, Dec. 1

Trail Life Chili Cook-off

Saturday, Nov. 8, 4:30-7:30 PM

Holiday Artisan Fair

Saturday, Dec. 6, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Advent Concert

Sunday, Dec. 14, 5:00 PM

Ember Days

Wednesday, Dec. 17;
Friday, Dec. 19;
Saturday, Dec. 20

St. Thomas, the Apostle (transferred)

Holy Communion
Monday, Dec. 22, 12:00 PM
(@ CHC)

Christmas Eve

Holy Communion,
5:00 PM (family)
11:00 PM (candlelight)
Wednesday, Dec. 24

Christmas Day/The Nativity of our Lord

Holy Communion
Thursday, Dec. 25, 10:30 AM

St. Stephen, Deacon & Martyr

Holy Communion,
Friday, Dec. 26, 12:00 PM
(@ CHC)

St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

Holy Communion
Saturday, Dec. 27, 12:00 PM
(@ CHC)

Holy Innocents

Sunday, Dec. 28

A Word from the Treasurer

The Chapel's pledge drive for 2026 begins on All Saints' Sunday and continues to Sunday, November 23 – the Sunday before Thanksgiving and the beginning of Advent. Please consider the level of commitment you will be able to make for 2026. But also, try to complete your financial commitment to the Chapel for 2025.

The chart below is a snapshot of our operating budget as of September 30. Some definitions of terms to help you read it are included after the chart:

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THE CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

presents

Saviour of the nations, come

A German Baroque Advent Concert

featuring

The Chapel Choir
The St. Timothy School
Choir & Orchestra
Soloists & Organ

The 3rd Sunday in Advent
December 14, A.D. 2025
5:00 p.m.

Free Admission
Childcare Available
Reception to Follow

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The Chapel of the Cross presents

10th Annual Holiday Artisan Fair

Saturday, December 6 | 9am – 3pm
4333 Cole Avenue, Dallas, TX 75205

Meet our talented crafters and find hand-made seasonal gifts & treats:

- ❖ Jewelry & Accessories
- ❖ Decorative Pillows
- ❖ Hardwood Cutting & Charcuterie Boards
- ❖ Art & Sketches
- ❖ Sweet Treats (cookies, cakes, bread)
- ...and more!

Enjoy warm spiced cider and festive music, including carols by our talented choir.

Admission is FREE!



BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER	
Ward Wueste	11/06
Nora Johnson	11/08
Monette Gregory	11/10
Julie Reed	11/13
Mark Woolsey	11/24
Adele Gagie	11/24

DECEMBER	
Ken Rives	12/1
Beau Predtechenskis	12/1
Elisabeth Boonzaaijer	12/2
Scott Berthiaume	12/4
Samuel Dean	12/8
Elias Tutuska	12/9
Sarah Embry	12/10
Joseph Bartman	12/16
Baker Herrin	12/17
Kathy Smith	12/18
Ellen Grasso	12/19
Stephen Williams	12/25
Tonia Berthiaume	12/25
Esther Fruin	12/26
Edwin Archbold	12/27
Rosanna Embry	12/27
Catherine Shiveley	12/27
John Boonzaaijer	12/28
Claire Predtechenskis	12/28
Santiago Archbold	12/29
Steven Hills	12/29

ANNIVERSARIES

NOVEMBER	
Sarah & Ben Embry	11/2
Mary & Rev Deacon Mark Woolsey	11/2
Laura & Karl Boonzaaijer	11/3
Darla & Victor Predtechenskis	11/5

DECEMBER	
Ashley & Andrew Dittman	12/19
Kathy & Thom Smith	12/22
Shari & Karel Boonzaayer	12/26
Cathy & John Morton	12/29
Audrey & Andrew Gagie	12/31

INCOME				
GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS	Jan - Sept '25 Actual	YTD Budget	YTD (deficit) surplus	Annual Budget
cash in plate	\$8,054	\$9,563	-\$1,509	\$12,750
non-pledged	\$75,525	\$54,533	\$20,992	\$72,710
pledged	\$246,426	\$276,315	-\$29,889	\$368,420
totals	\$330,005	\$340,410	-\$10,405	\$453,880
OTHER INCOME				
miscellaneous	\$39,202	\$58,695	-\$19,493	\$78,260
All Income TOTALS	\$369,207	\$399,105	-\$29,898	\$532,140
EXPENSES				
	Jan - Sept. '25 Actual	YTD Budget	YTD (over) under Budget	Annual Budget
Property & Operations	\$144,136	\$130,290	-\$13,846	\$173,720
Mission / Parish Life	\$28,849	\$49,266	\$20,417	\$65,688
Worship	\$237,679	\$219,648	-\$18,031	\$292,864
TOTALS	\$410,664	\$399,204	-\$11,460	\$532,272
NET	-\$41,457			\$ (132)*

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**The adopted budget has a slight deficit. That's as close as we could get it. We assumed it would resolve itself over the year and so considered it essentially a balanced budget.*

Miscellaneous Income –from interest on accounts, tuition tithe from the St. Timothy School, building use fees, donations to the Altar Guild and music, and book sales.

YTD Budget (income & expenses) – The annual budgeted amount divided by 12 and multiplied by 9. It's where we would be if all income and expenses were evenly distributed throughout the year. Of course, they are not. We know that many people do not or cannot give on a clock-work basis, and the expenses come when they come – but it is still a useful gauge.

Property & Operations – Expenses such as maintenance, insurance, office equipment and supplies, utilities, phones, and staff salaries.

Mission & Parish Life – Our tithe to the Diocese, foreign missions,

hospitality, meetings & synods, and evangelistic activities.

Worship – Altar Guild expenses, music, compensation for musicians and clergy, and the nursery.

The picture we see is that, while unpledged giving is doing well, the pledged giving is lagging. At the same time, we are seeing expenses higher than expected. The result is that as of the end of September, we have a deficit of \$41,457. That is actually an improvement over previous months when the deficit was over \$60,000. However, I think we would all prefer less red ink.

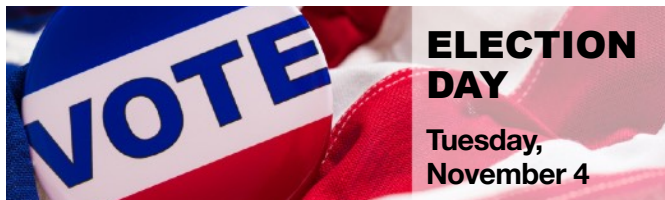
Please review your financial commitment to the Chapel and consider whether you are where you should be. Don't forget to make specific gifts to the Altar Guild and the music program. A good way to support our music is to attend the occasional concerts – bring a friend and be generous! Together we can erase the red ink!

Parish Notice Board

- Nathaniel and Elisabeth Boonzaaijer are into the fall season at Knüll Camp. Support for their short-term mission work may be donated at: www.recbfm.org/donate
- The Chapel's annual *Every Member Covenant* Stewardship Campaign is underway. Please remember to return your stewardship cards to the offering on the Sunday Next Before Advent, November 23.
- The 4th Annual Trail Life Chili Cook-off is scheduled for Saturday, November 8 from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Come and eat, or come and compete! To enter the chili completion, scan the QR code below. There is a \$25 entry fee to compete. All others will be charged \$10 to eat and vote; \$10 raffle tickets will also be available. All proceeds benefit Troop 1986 (at The Chapel).
- Work Day – Building & Grounds will host a Fall Work Day on Saturday, November 15 from 9 am - Noon to accomplish fall planting.
- Architectural and engineering plans are being completed with a desired construction start in early February 2026. Start date is subject to acceptable pricing (within budget), an executed contract with Ellen Grasso & Sons, drawing and cost approval by Building & Grounds and the Vestry, and Ellen's receipt of necessary permits.
- Mr. Adam Reed has been accepted by the diocese as a postulant for Holy Orders.



- All are invited to bring prospective K-2 families for a Thanksgiving Program and Pie Reception on Thursday, November 20th at 11:00 am..
- Friends of The Saint Timothy—THANK YOU!!!
One of the responsibilities of the Head of School (Rector), is to raise over \$200,000 each year for distribution of need-based financial aid, program enrichment, and faculty development. Thankfully, our own parish provides the largest amount, with the student Jog-a-Thon as a close second. The remainder is raised by the school's Friends and Patrons. Many thanks to each who participated this year toward the \$30,000 goal, assisted by \$20,000 of matching gifts from several Patrons, spurring on generosity to help lots of parents fulfill their baptismal vows! Many thanks also to those who decorated, cleaned up, or brought friends! ~ Bishop John



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FOREIGN MISSIONS ADVENT OFFERING

This year's Board of Foreign Mission Advent Offering will be used to fund projects for 2026 ministry.

MID-AMERICA SYNOD 2025

The annual meeting of the diocese of Mid-America gathered in Tyler, Texas in the beautiful new building of Good Shepherd Church. Lay delegates from The Chapel were Ron Kerridge and Ryan Davis.

SYNOD FOR THE MISSIONARY DIOCESE OF CUBA

December 10-12, Varadero, Cuba

Trail Life
Chili Cook-Off
Saturday, Nov. 8
4:30 – 7:30 pm
To compete,
scan the
QR code

Vital Signs

	August	September	Year to Date (Jan – July)
Average Attendance	126	130	131
Income	\$51,454	\$34,068	\$330,005
Expenses	\$32,458	\$38,554	\$410,664
Surplus (Deficit)	\$18,996	(\$4,486)	(\$41,157)



Pictured (from left): Edwin Archbold, Bishop John, Adam Reed during their recent trips to Cuba; Ben Embry, Baker and Katy Herrin went on a later trip.

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Daylight Saving Time Ends! Sunday, November 2 at 2:00 am Be sure and set your clocks <i>back</i> one hour before going to bed Saturday night.						1 All Saints 8:30 am Pro-Life M Prayer @ CHC <i>every Sat of month</i> 9:00 am Holy Comm & Doorkeepers Ministry
2 Sunday after All Saints 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Comm with Morn Prayer 12:00-2:00 pm Women's Day Cuban Coffee Hour 4:00 pm Saints in Light Concert 5:00 – 7:00 pm Chapel Youth (6th-12th grade)	3 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	4 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA Dallas County Election Site 7:00 am – 7:00 pm	5 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong for Parish Prayer List 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	6 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:15 pm Trail Life	7 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	8 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry 4:30 - 7:30 pm Trail Life Chili Cook-off Trail Life Chili Cook-off
9 Trinity 21 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer, followed by Chapel Fellows	10 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	11 Veterans Day 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA	12 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong for Parish Prayer List 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	13 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:15 pm Trail Life	14 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	15 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry 9:00 am Work Day (ends at Noon)
16 Trinity 22 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morn Prayer w/Litany (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Fellowship of Ancient Christian Storytelling	17 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	18 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA	19 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong for Parish Prayer List 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	20 8:00 am M Prayer 11:00 am STS Kindergarten/Primary School Thanksgiving Program 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	21 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	22 9:00 am Morning Prayer followed by Doorkeepers Ministry Trail Life Peak 3
23 Sunday Next Before Advent 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Ladies of the Chapel	24 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg	25 8:00 am M Prayer 7:00 pm Vestry 7:00 pm AA	26 8:00 am M Prayer	27 Thanksgiving 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Holy Comm Office Closed	28 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany)	29 9:00 am Morning Prayer followed by Doorkeepers Ministry
Trail Life Peak 3	Saint Timothy Thanksgiving Break					
30 Advent 1 8:00 am Holy Communion 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Comm with Morn Prayer	1	2	3	4	5	6

November 2025

November		Day	Service	Time	Altar Guild Team	Nursery SS & Worship	Epistoler / Reader	Lector(s)	Acolytes *stays for HC **HC trainee	Ushers W = Welcomers (*Captain) Open/Close	Counters B = Broadcaster
Sat	1	All Saints Day	HC (&MP)	9:00 am	Sunday Team	x	Andrew D	Fruin	John D Paul C	Norris M.	Alms Box
Sun	2	Sunday After All Saints (of the Octave) Trinity 20	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Carlos M	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Cathy M	Christine B. Gloria A.	Ron K	Karl B	Karl B *Isaac L	Brad L.* Norris M.	Norris M. Ken B. B: TBD
			Concert	4:00 pm	x	Hired	x	x	x	Victor P.	Edwin A.
Wed	5	Wednesday Prayer (of the Octave)	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B	Ben E	x	Lector	x
Sun	9	Trinity 21 3rd Before Advent	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Mark P	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP (&HC)	10:30 am	Becky M	Ashley C. Ana A.	David B	Ryan D	**Nick D *Paul C James D Peter P	Victor P.* James R.	Edwin A. Sam C. B: TBD
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	Karl B.	Fruin	x	Lector	x
Tues	11	Veterans Day	MP	8:00 am	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wed	12	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B	Ryan D	x	Lector	x
Sun	16	Trinity 22 2nd Before Advent	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Andrew G	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP with Litany (&HC)	10:30 am	Cynthia B	Kathryn J. Maria A.	Norris M	Edwin A	*Edwin A Joaquin A John D **Anthony S	Julian J.* Ryan D.	Mark P. Ryan D B: TBD
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	young adult	x	Norton	x
Wed	19	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	Karl B	Victor P	x	Lector	x
Sun	23	Sunday Next Before Advent	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Carlos M	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP (&HC)	10:30 am	Christine B	Laura B. Melissa F. SS: Ashley C.	Julian J	David B	**Karl VI Ansel B Gavin B *Paul C	Ken B.* Norris M.	Ken B. Norris M. B: TBD
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	woman	x	Ashley D.	x
Thu	27	Thanksgiving Day	HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Sunday Team	x	Adam R	Coleman R	Isaac L	Norris M.	Alms Box
Advent											
Sun	30	Advent 1	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Carlos M	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Cathy M	Susanna P. Brittany D.	Edwin A	Coleman R	*Coleman R **Luis S	Brad L.* James R.	Sam C. David B.

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1 St. Andrew the Apostle (transferred) 8:00 am Holy Comm 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	2 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA	3 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong for Parish Prayer List 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	4 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:15 pm Trail Life	5 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany) 8:30 am St. Nicholas Pancake Breakfast 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	6 8:30 am Pro-Life M Prayer @ CHC <i>every Sat of month</i> 9:00 am Holiday Artisan Fair
7 Advent 2 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Holy Comm (& MP) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer, followed by Chapel Youth (6th-12th grade)	8 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	9 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA	10 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong for Parish Prayer List 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	11 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:15 pm Trail Life	12 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany)	13 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry
			Synod, Missionary Diocese of Cuba			
14 Advent 3 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am M Prayer (& HC) 5:00 pm Advent Concert	15 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	16 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 7:00 pm AA	17 Ember Day 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Catechesis 6:30 pm Evensong for Parish Prayer List 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Committee Heads Gathering	18 8:00 am M Prayer 3:05 pm Eve Prayer 6:15 pm Trail Life Court of Honor	19 Ember Day 8:00 am M Prayer (w/Litany) 3:05 pm Eve Prayer	20 Ember Day 9:00 am M Prayer w/ Ante-Comm followed by Guild training
21 Advent 4 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Catechesis 10:30 am Morning Prayer w/Litany (& HC) 5:00 pm Evening Prayer followed by Fellowship of Ancient Christian Storytelling	22 St. Thomas, the Apostle (transferred) 8:00 am M Prayer 10:30 am Chapel Staff Mtg 12:00 pm Holy Comm @ CHC	23 8:00 am M Prayer 7:00 pm AA	24 Christmas Eve 8:00 am M Prayer 5:00 pm Holy Comm (family) 11:00 pm Holy Comm (candlelight)	25 Christmas Day/Nativity of our Lord 10:30 am Holy Comm Office Closed	26 St. Stephen, Deacon & Martyr 12:00 pm Holy Comm (@CHC)	27 St. John, Apostle & Evangelist 9:00 am Morning Prayer & Doorkeepers Ministry 12:00 pm Holy Comm (@CHC)
	Saint Timothy Christmas Break					
28 Holy Innocents 8:00 am Holy Comm 9:25 am Feast of Lights Rehearsal 10:30 am Morning Prayer (& HC) w/ children & "Boy Bishop"	29	30 7:00 pm Vestry 7:00 pm AA	31	1 Circumcision of Christ 12:00 pm Holy Comm (@CHC)	2	3
	Office Closed					
	Saint Timothy Christmas Break					
Trail Life Campout						

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Mon	1	St. Andrew, Apostle	HC(&MP)	8:00 am	Sunday Team	x	Andrew D (epistoler)	Student	Paul C John D	Mark P	x
Wed	3	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	x	Mark P	x	Lector	x
Fri	5	St. Nicholas	MP	8:00 am	Sunday Team	x	Coleman R	Student & Faculty	x	x	x
Sun	7	Advent 2 Bible Sunday	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Carlos M	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			HC(&MP)	10:30 am	Becky M	Kate P. Christine B.	Ron K	Karl B	Karl B *Paul C	Ken B.* Norris M.	Norris M. Sam C. B: TBD
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	Coleman R	youth	x	youth	x
Wed	10	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	x	Ryan D	x	Lector	x
Sun	14	Advent 3	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Andrew G	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP (&HC)	10:30 am	Cynthia B	Ashley C. Sarah E.	Norris M	Ben E	*Edwin A **Joaquin A James D John D	Julian J.* James R.	Edwin A. David B. B: TBD
		Advent Concert	concert	5:00 pm	x	Hired	Andrew D	Karl B	x	Victor P.* Ryan D.	Edwin A Ryan D.
W/F/S	17/19/ 20	Ember Days	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wed	17	Wednesday Prayer	EP	6:30 pm	x	x	x	Nick D	x	Lector	x
Sat	20	Ember Saturday	MPw/Ante-Communion	9:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Mark P	Isaac L Paul C	Mark P	Alms Box
Sun	21	Advent 4	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Mark P	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	x
			MP with Litany (&HC)	10:30 am	Christine B	Maria A. Kathryn J.	David B	Coleman R	Coleman R *Karl VI Ansel B Gavin B	Brad L.* Ryan D.	Mark P. Sam C.
			EP	5:00 pm	x	x	x	young adult	x	Norton	x
Mon	22	St. Thomas, Apostle	HC	12:00 pm	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Christmastide											
Wed	24	Christmas Eve	HC (&EP)	5:00 pm	Sunday Team	Hired	Edwin A	Karl B	Karl B Karl VI	James R.* Ryan D.	Edwin A. Sam C.
			HC	11:00 pm	Sunday Team	x	Karl B	x	Adam R Karl B	Victor P.* Norris M.	Norris M. ?
Thurs	25	Christmas Day	HC (&MP)	10:30 am	Sunday Team	Hired	David B	Karl B	John D Isaac L	Brad L.* Ken B.	David B. Ken B.
Fri	26	St. Stephen's Day	HC	12:00 pm	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sat	27	St. John, Evangelist	HC	12:00 pm	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sun	28	Holy Innocents & 1st Sunday after Christmas	HC	8:00 am	x	x	Adam R	Carlos M	Adam R	Nola Rae S.	Alms Box
			MP (&HC)	10:30 am	Cathy M	Melissa F. Ashley C. SS: Christine B.	Edwin A	Norris M	Karl VI *John D James D Anthony S	Ken B. Ryan D.	Norris M. David B.

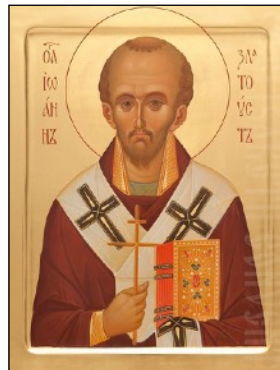


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A Rule of Life*

Ready to hear – Chrysostom

See how God allows trials, and, by them, stirs up, awakens, and energizes the disciples? So then, we shouldn't sink down under trails because He will "also make the way of escape, that we may be able to bear them." Nothing makes friends as well as and holds them as firmly as affliction does. Nothing fastens and compacts the soul of believers as well. Nothing is as timely for us teachers so that the things we say will be heard. For when hearers are in an easy time, they become listless and lazy and seem annoyed with the speaker.. But when they are in affliction and



distress, they long deeply to listen. When a soul is in distress, it looks for comfort everywhere.... The afflicted soul doesn't want to be concerned about many things. It only wants peace and stillness. It is content to be done with the present things, even if nothing else follows.... Paul says, "Tribulation worth patience, and patience experience, and experience hope, and hope maketh not ashamed." So then, don't sink into your afflictions, but give thanks in everything so that you may profit from them and please God.

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