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Masses:

Saturday

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Saturday Vigil	<b>4:00 pm</b>
Sunday	7:30 am
	<b>9:00 am</b>
	11:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wed., Ťhurs., Fri.	7:00 am
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**Baptism:** Please contact the Parish Office.

<u>Marriage</u>: Please contact the pastor a minimum of six months before the wedding.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday

5:30-5:45 pm 3:00-3:30 pm

#### Easter Sunday April 9, 2023

He had to rise from the dead. (John 20:9)

Alleluia! Christ is risen! And that changes everything.

Today's Gospel tells us that Jesus "had to rise from the dead" (John 20:9, emphasis added). But why? Wasn't it enough that he became a man? Wasn't it enough that he died for us? Actually, no. As St. Paul wrote, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins" (1 Corinthians 15:17).

By rising from the dead, Jesus proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that he has power over sin and death. Everything he said about himself is true. He is more than the victim of an unjust condemnation. He is more than an inspiring teacher or a philosopher or the founder of a new movement. He is more, even, than a healer and wonder-worker. He is the Son of God, the One whom death could not hold in its grasp (Romans 1:4).

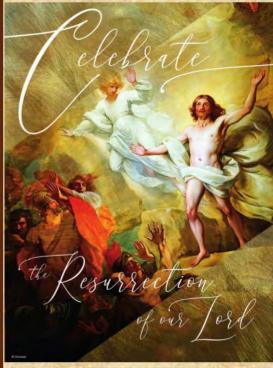
By rising, Jesus did more than just vindicate himself. He also opened the way into new life for each one of us. He overcame the sin that was keeping us separated from our Father in heaven! Because of that, we who believe in him and are baptized can now "live in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). Now we can hope in our own resurrection. We can experience power over sin and freedom from the fear of death that so often binds us up. We can count ourselves "dead to sin and living for

God in Christ Jesus" (6:11). We now know, beyond a shadow of doubt, that love is stronger than death.

It's easy to understand why Jesus' resurrection was always front and center when the apostles proclaimed the good news. You can see it in Peter's sermon from today's first reading. And you'll see it throughout the Book of Acts this Easter season. The apostles' preaching hinged on the resurrection of Jesus. Because the resurrection changes everything!

"Jesus, risen Lord, I rejoice in you!"

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# Holy Saturday, April 8 7:30pm Easter Vigil

### <u>Easter Sunday, April 9</u> 7:30am, 9am, 11am Masses

## Happy Easter from Fr. Greg, Deacon Ricard and the St. John Church Staff.

Join us at the piazza for coffee, donuts, sweet treats and balloons following 7:30am and 9am Masses in celebration of Our Risen Lord!!

# Pope Francis' Prayer Intention April 2023



For a Culture of Peace and Non Violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by states and citizens.



# **Retirement Fund for Priests**

The second collection at Easter is taken for the Retirement Fund for our Diocesan priests. Please give generously to those who have given so much.

The Lord has risen; let us rejoice! Could Jesus be calling you to help proclaim this Good News to the world through the priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call or email Rev. Joshua Johnson at 225.336.8778, jjohnson@diobr.org.

### Daily Scripture Readings April 9-16, 2023

Easter Sunday, April 9—The Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35 Monday, April 10 Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday, April 11 Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday, April 12 Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35 Thursday, April 13 Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48 Friday, April 14 Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14 Saturday, April 15 Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15

# **Adult Confirmation**



If you are 18 years of age or over and have not been confirmed in the Catholic Church, please call the church office at 225.687.2402, to attend 6 classes on Confirmation beginning <u>Sunday, April 16</u> (10-11am) through Sunday, May 21. Confirmation will be on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023 at St. Joseph Cathedral by Bishop Michael Duca.

Register by visiting <u>www.stjohnchurchplaq.org</u> and filling out the RCIA form found under the FORMATION tab. You may call the St. John Church Office for more information.

# **RITUALSONG** (Readings and Songs this Weekend)

Readings: Easter Vigil #1152 — Easter Sunday #1165 Entrance: Jesus Christ is Risen Today #614 Communion: This is the Feast of Victory #618 Sending forth: Sing with all the Saints in Glory #609

The St. John Church Office will be closed Easter Monday, April 10.

### Annual Outdoor Mass and Family Day



Make plans to join us as we celebrate our annual Outdoor Mass and Family Day on Sunday, April 16 at 11am at the Mark A. "Tony" Gulotta Bayou Plaquemine Waterfront Park pavilion followed by food, festivities and fellowship!

There will be a spacewalk, face painting and balloons for the children. Beverages and assorted foods will be served such as fried fish, jambalaya, salad, hot dogs and chili!

Sweet treats are needed for the dessert room. Please bring your favorite dessert in individual paper cups. Many volunteers are needed. If you can help, call Susan at the church office, 225.687.2402, or email susanblandry@sj.brcoxmail.com by April 10.

Bring your family and friends!

# **Baptisms and Baptism Seminars**



Baptism Seminars Monday, May 1, 2023 Monday, June 5, 2023 Monday, July 10, 2023

Baptisms Saturday, April 22, 2023 (During Mass) Saturday, May 20, 2023 (Following 4pm Mass) Saturday, June 24, 2023 (Following 4pm Mass) Saturday, July 22, 2023 (Following 4pm Mass)

The Baptism Seminars are held on the third floor of the church office at 7pm. The Baptisms are usually held on the fourth Saturday of the month following 4pm Mass.

Dates are subject to change. Please call Lily at the church office (225.687.2402) during the early stages of pregnancy to confirm the dates of the seminar.

# **Angels for Angels**

The Angels for Angels program has been able to help children in our local schools with much needed items. Teachers contact the Angels for Angels with a specific need for a specific child in their classroom.

Volunteers are needed to relieve the burden some teachers face who use their own monies to purchase these items. If you are able to impact a child's life in our community, please call Dr. Katie Berthelot at 225.776.2809 or the church office at 225.687.2402.

Thank you for your participation in this vital ministry.

# **Easter Flower Donations 2023**



# **In Loving Memory**



Patricia Ann Bahry LeBlanc Felix F. Fernandez. Jr. **Brennan Eugene Bujol** Pim & Nu Nu Clebert Louise & Edmund Buiol **Billy Wright Bro Bujol** Mr. & Mrs. Ed Reeves, Sr. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Matassa **Bob & Debbie Templet & Edee** Virgil Reeves **Chris Rogues Matassa** Jim & Ella Panepinto **Dr. James & Frances D. Durand** Ed & Rosina Achee Lane Michael Panepinto Hollye A. Comeaux **Cheryl A. Panepinto** Ed, Myrna & Sunny Hargrove **Brennan Bujol** Maggie Dunn Dr. Herman Samson Anthony D. Capone **Ronald L. Capone Cindy L. Capone** Mr. & Mrs. Ed Bahry, Sr. & Family Mr. & Mrs. Biem Gomez & Family Leonce & Beulah Cedotal & Family **Patrick Gaudet** The Gasper, Sr. and Florence C. Pizzolato **Families** Marvin, Ernest Jr. & Sr. & Nora Allen Doris, Guy & Matthew Allen Manuel, Mary & Dolores Diamond **Clavton & Eliza Verret Elodie & Ernest Diamond** Max "Bubba" Taylor Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Orcino, Sr. Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Leonard Albares Rev. Jerome A. Dugas, V. F. Sisters Catherine, Mary Rita & Cecile **Olivia Doughty** Willie & Mary Mellion Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence L. Carlin Johnny Zito, Sr. Johnny Zito, Jr. Andrew & Josephine Canova Joseph & Lena Zito **Carlo & Kurt Canova** 

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# **GOD BLESS OUR DEAD**

Honoring St. Joseph — 4pm Mass and St. Joseph Altar — March 18 & 19, 2023







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### Mass Intentions — April 15-21, 2023

### Saturday, April 15-4pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Liz Adams; Anthony & Frances Palermo, Vincent & Lena Lorello; Vincent A. & Dr. Larry Ferachi, Hebert & Ferachi Families; M/M Frank Ragusa & Family, M/M Placito Mancuso & Family, M/M Mose Gibson & Family, J. D. & Ella Collins & Family; M/M Tony Falcon, Anthony Falcon, Camille Tempanaro, M/M Ray Murry, M/M Earl Quatrevingt, M/M C. J. Saurage, M/M Ronald Lee Gary, Tommy, Brian, Jay & Randy Quatrevingt, M/M Frank Tempanaro, Brandi Quatrevingt, Sharkey Altazin; Wayne Gary, Thelma & Jim Mitchell, Jerry Fontenot; Evelyn Varnell; The Lazzaro Family, Kolby Lorio, "Butch" & Sadie Tullier; The Currier Family; M/M Thomas Keith & Family; Ann Bryant Wilbert Arbour

### Sunday, April 16-7:30am Mass

St. John Parishioners

### Sunday, April 17-9am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Labouré, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Frances Santangelo LeBlanc, Rita & Mike Santangelo, Anatole Santangelo; J. W. & Sue Bryant, Mrs. E. J. Clifton; Tina Ferachi Loyacano, Agnes & Sam Colletti & Family, Vincent M. Ferachi & Family; Ronnie Palermo, Brown Family, Palermo Family; Bill Toups, Jr.; Denise Miranda; Flo, Allen & Paco Ourso; Benny & Annie Vaughn, Jessel & Eula Ourso; Virginia Simon; Felix Fernandez, Jr.; Caliste "Joe" & Gloria Landry, Josh Landry

### Sunday, April 17-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; O. J., Buster & Pearl Hidalgo Songy & Families; Michael Shepherd, "Se Se" Becnel, Alcee & Pauline Becnel; Buck Fourroux; Dorothy & Laura Lynn Grass; Joseph & Lillian Crescionne, Peter & Rosalie Crescionne, Dr. Joseph & Tina Alesi; Brenda Fremin; Nita Comeaux Foster, Lloyd Comeaux, Jr., Firmin & Cloudette Tullier; Isaac Jr. & Brent Vaughn, Sidney Jr. Hedges, Margaret Landry; Sam "Buttie" & Lucille Distefano

### <u>Tuesday, April 18-6pm Mass</u>

Patrick Gaudet, Dewey & Mable Callegan; Kenneth "Klu" Brown

Wednesday, April 19-7am Mass Mary Ann Gregoire

Thursday, April 20-7am Mass George Gullotto, Frances & George Calcagno

Friday, April 21-7am Mass J. Hubert Millet





Sanctuary Candle — April 9, 2023

<u>St. John the Evangelist</u> Bobby & Bootsie Dupont

St. Clement of Rome Colby Gomez

### Coffee & Donuts — April 16, 2023

There will be no Coffee & Donuts Sunday, April 16. Join us at the Mark A. "Tony" Gulotta Bayou Plaquemine Waterfront Park for the 11am Outdoor Mass and Family Day for fun and fellowship.

Attar Society

**Altar Society** 

Altar Society Team 2 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, April 12 at 8am. Volunteers are welcome.





# Eucharistic Adoration Adoration Chapel Adorers Dinner

The dinner for the Adoration Chapel Adorers will be held <u>Tuesday, April 25</u> at the K. C. Hall following 5pm Mass. All Adorers/Substitutes, Spouse or Guest are invited to attend. <u>Please sign the tablet in the</u> Adoration Chapel if you plan to attend.

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life; all of our works are oriented toward it. Jesus' body, blood, soul, and divinity are truly present in a small host. When we receive the Blessed Sacrament we unite ourselves to God and receive the life and healing He longs to give us.

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta said: "The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth."

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The Adoration Chapel is open from 4am-10pm. To volunteer for a scheduled hour or as a substitute, contact JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.





