

St. John the Evangelist Church

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am

Monday (Liturgy of the Word)	7:00 am
Wed., Thurs., Fri. (Mass)	7:00 am
First Tuesday of the Month	6:00 pm
(Mass, Novena, Benediction and Anointing of the Sick)	
All other Tuesdays - Confessions	5:30 pm
(Mass and Novena)	6:00 pm

Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office

Marriage: Please contact the pastor a minimum of six months before the wedding

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday	3:00 pm
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February 5, 2017 — Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When Jesus presents the images of salt and light in today's Gospel from Matthew, he is describing some of the primary characteristics for his community of followers. As salt adds flavor to food, so Christians are to bring hope and meaning to their world. As light reveals what is hidden in darkness, so Christians are to bring wisdom and truth to others. To be Christian is not to sit back, give thanks, and savor God's blessings. Just as salt and light are gifts from God for everyone, those who follow Christ are to be agents of God's love for all. Saint Paul describes this further, teaching that we might begin by embracing humility and vulnerability. Isaiah calls us to be generous and to work for justice. These are the characteristics of a "city set on a mountain," a community of salt and light.

LAMPS AND BUSHEL BASKETS Jesus uses the present tense, "you are" salt of the earth and light of the world. This can be troubling to hear, upon a little reflection, when we already suspect that we are not. It's easy to see how often we fail to truly be salt and light for others. This can lead to discouragement and a fear of failing again. But Jesus says that being salt and light is God's gift, and not our own accomplishment. He notes the "bushel basket" that prevents the light of the lamp from being seen. We have created and received all kinds of patterns of thinking and behaving that block our capacity to be light for others. But these patterns do not define us. Whatever our faults, we are primarily God's beloved and gifted people. We can have hope that God will assist us in addressing our "bushel basket," to overcome what blocks our ability to love others. Jesus' Good News for us is that we are ultimately not the bushel basket, but the lamp.

CITY ON A MOUNTAIN Often, we envision Jesus' imagery of salt and light applied to the life of individual Christians. This is indeed appropriate. However, along with "salt of the earth" and "light of the world", we hear of a "city set on a mountain." Clearly, these images are also directed to Christian communities. A parish, for example, is called to have a visible, caring presence in its local area. As salt and light, a community of faith can add its own flavor and wisdom to its surroundings. A faith community can have its own "bushel basket," too. This might include unresolved internal conflicts, or a lack of welcoming to strangers, or just being too internally focused. These can prevent the community from demonstrating God's love. However, just as with individuals, God can lead the faithful to address these obstacles, and to become salt and light more fully for their neighborhood.

Today's Readings: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Confirmation Candidates Presentation and "The Last Supper" Reenactment



We welcome the Confirmation Candidates and their Sponsors to 11:00 am Mass this Sunday, February 5.

St. John the Evangelist Church Parish Confirmation candidates will be presenting "The Last Supper," Sunday, February 5 at 3:30 pm in St. John Church.

All parishioners are invited to attend the reenactment.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & CELEBRATION

On Saturday, February 11, 2017 at St. John the Evangelist Church, couples celebrating 25, 50, 55, 60, 65 or greater years of marriage will be honored at 4:00 pm Mass. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall for family and friends.



If you are celebrating one of these anniversaries this year and would like to celebrate with us, please call the Church office at 225.687.2402 by Wednesday, February 8.

"Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service"



The St. John School family invites you to share the Eucharist with them on Wednesday, February 8 at 8:00 am at St. Clement Church in celebration of Catholic Schools week.

Save the Date!!

St. John School's Annual Auction will be Saturday, March 11, 2017 at the Carl F. Grant Civic Center. Silent and Live auction items will be available. St. John students are currently selling Auction raffle tickets. Donations and volunteers are welcome.



If you have any questions, please contact our auction chair, Jennifer Landry, at jenlandry1122@yahoo.com.

Thanks for your support of our school and we hope to see everyone at the AUCTION.



Bingo is held five nights each week at the St. John Father's Club Bingo Hall, 24837 Hwy 1, South.

The Bingo sessions are as follows:

Sunday—7:00 pm —Knights of Columbus Bingo
Tuesday—7:30 pm—Fathers Club Bingo
Wednesday—7:30 pm—Knights of Columbus Bingo
Friday—7:30 pm—Fathers Club Bingo
Saturday—7:30 pm—Fathers Club Bingo

Come out and play Bingo and support St. John School and the Knights of Columbus.

In Loving Memory...

A grateful acknowledgement is made to the following person who donated a memorial gift to the St. John Church Building Fund in loving memory of:

Edward James

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Elizabeth Adams**

St. Joseph Altar

The St. Joseph Altar will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2017.



Preparations for the Altar will begin Monday, February 20 at 9:00 am at the Knights of Columbus Home, 58715 Price Street.

If you are interested in helping with the Altar, please call Rosemary Cox at 225.687.6160 or Betty Aucoin at 225.687.2111.

Baptism Seminars & Baptisms



Baptism Seminars

Monday, February 6, 2017
Monday, March 6, 2017
Monday, April 3, 2017

Baptisms

Saturday, February 25, 2017
Saturday, April 29, 2017

The Baptism Seminars are held in the Parish Hall at 7:00 pm. Baptisms are usually held after 4:00 pm Mass on the last weekend of the month.

Dates are subject to change. Please call the church office at 225.687.2402 during the early stages of pregnancy to register for the seminar.

First Tuesday Anointing of the Sick

Tuesday, February 7, following 6:00 pm Mass, our parish celebrates the



SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK for those who are seriously ill, experiencing depression, battling cancer treatments, disabled in any way, the elderly and those who are to undergo surgery in the near future.

Four to six months is recommended between anointing unless otherwise urgent.



Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, amerrick@diobr.org.



Divine Mercy Novena Mass and Chaplet will begin Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

This year on Tuesday, February 21 at 6 pm our parish will begin its nine-week Novena of Divine Mercy with Mass, followed immediately by the sung chaplet of Divine Mercy, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Novena prayers.

Divine Mercy is a prominent theme of the Scriptures, in both the New Testament and the Old. In our own time, devotion to the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ has spread throughout the world in an extraordinary way through the grace of a private revelation given to a humble Polish nun, St. Faustina Kowalska (1905-38). Our Lord Himself appeared to St. Faustina and instructed her to act as His “Apostle of Divine Mercy,” giving her the following commission: *My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy!* He also instructed her to have an image of His Divine Mercy painted, just as He had appeared to her, so that veneration of this image would lead a great number of souls to Him. At the foundation of that image is the simple message, Jesus, I trust in You. Our Lord likewise instructed Faustina to let it be known that He wished the Sunday after Easter to be instituted in the Church as a universal Feast of Divine Mercy. Concerning the feast, Jesus made the following promise: *On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I will pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My Mercy. The souls that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion on this day shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.* This incomparable grace has been described as a kind of “second baptism,” including the remission of all sin and temporal punishment due to sin. (N.B. confession within a proximate time before the feast, e.g., during the season of Lent, is sufficient. One must receive the Eucharist worthily on the feast, this is, in the state of sanctifying grace.)

Jesus invites you to enter into the cloister of His Heart! This is the Message of Divine Mercy. He wants you to reside within His Heart and experience His Peace. Through His mediation, He wants you to come to know God the Father and the Holy Spirit, too. There is nothing that Our Lord withholds from the soul who sincerely seeks Him with humble repentance, generosity and trust. Jesus Christ loves you with all His Heart, and He wants to dwell within your heart, too. If there is a need for healing there (and indeed, there is always need for healing there), you can be sure that He knows just what to do.

I invite you to come on the nine Tuesdays from February 21 through April 18, 2017, in preparation for the Feast of Divine Mercy (the second Sunday of Easter) on April 23.

Cor ad Cor Loquitur. Heart speaks to heart. The Heart of Christ speaks to the heart of man — to your heart — if you will but open the door and listen to Him.

Jesus, I trust in You!

PERPETUAL ADORATION

These words of Jesus are an excellent invitation to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest”

(Mt. 11:28)



Listed below are open hours in the Adoration Chapel:

- Tuesday: 3:00 am-4:00 am
- Every other Tuesday: 5:00 am-6:00 am
- Wednesday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am
- Thursday: 5:00 am-6:00 am
- Friday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am
- Friday: 1:00 am-2:00 am
- Friday: 2:00 am-3:00 am
- Friday: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
- Saturday: 12 Midnight-1:00 am
- Saturday: 2:00 am-3:00 am
- Saturday: 5:00 am-6:00 am
- Saturday: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm
- Saturday: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm
- Saturday: 7:00 pm-8:00 pm

To volunteer, call Mickey Rivet at 225.687.6549 or JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February, 2017



That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



Catholic Art and Gifts/F.C. Ziegler has an opening for a full time position in the Baton Rouge location, 6184 Florida Street.

We are looking for someone with a retail background that includes customer service and sales, inventory control, knowledge of producing merchandise displays, and a willingness to learn the details of Catholic Church goods and services. This position includes health insurance, a 401 (k) savings plan and paid vacation after a year of service.

Qualified persons should send a resume with references to cheriejarreau@zieglers.com.



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30-7:30 pm Bereavement Support Group Parish Hall	2 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall	3 10 am Comm. Service Legacy	4  Building & Maintenance 2nd Collection
5 Bldg & Maint.  2nd Collection 9 am RCIA 11 am Mass Presentation of Confirmation Candidates 3:30 pm "The Last Supper" Reenactment-Church	6 7 pm Baptism Seminar Parish Hall	7	8 5:15-7 pm PSR St. Clement	9 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall	10 10 am Comm. Service Plaq. Manor	11 4 pm Anniversary Mass Reception follows Parish Hall
12 9 am RCIA 2 pm Ladies of Peter Claver Parish Hall 4-6 pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group in Church	13  7 pm Catholic Daughters Meeting Parish Hall	14 	15 5:15-7 pm PSR St. Clement	16 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall 7 pm Confirmation St. John Church 7 pm KC Meeting KC Hall 	17 10 am Comm. Service Legacy	18
19 9 am RCIA	20	21  6 pm Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena	22 5:15-7 pm PSR St. Clement	23 1:30-3 pm 6:30-8 pm Bible Study Parish Hall	24 10 am Comm. Service Plaq. Manor	25 10 am-3 pm 1st Eucharist Retreat Parish Hall  Baptisms following 4 pm Mass
26 9 am RCIA	27 OFFICE CLOSED	28  OFFICE CLOSED  6 pm Mass followed by Divine Mercy Novena				 11 am-noon Rosary for Priests every Saturday Adoration Chapel

MASS INTENTIONS — February 4 - 10, 2017

Saturday, February 4-4:00 pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Catherine & Andrew Roucher; Mike "Fuzzy" Marino, Melissa Jarreau, David, Gros & Blanchard Families; Curtis & Ella Robert, Benoit & Elise Robert; Roland "Dougie" Rivet; DeNoux, Dugas, Durand & Panepinto Families; John E. & Cecile D. Brown, Brown & Duhon Families; C. Z. Breaux, Jr., J. H. Bourgeois Family; Bobbie Falcon Clouatre; J. Hubert Millet, Milda Millet, Louis Family, Harold Marionneaux; Camille Tempanaro, M/M Tony Falcon; Doris Murry, M/M Curtis Gourgues, M/M Frank Tempanaro; Carol Brandt, Raymond & Amanda Ducote; M/M Gus Himel & Family, Lance Blanchard; Leonard B. & Mary G. Savoie, James "Puddin" & Brenda L. Devillier; M/M Vincent M. Ferachi, Cadence & Cassidy Diamond, Stephanie Rivere, Ferachi & Marino Families; M/M Houston LaBauve, Sr., Claudia LaBauve, Cecilia Laurent; Kenneth Ourso, Sr.; Larry Melancon; Sylvia P. & Walter Marionneaux, Jr.; Ida Ortis, M/M Paul J. Hebert, Grayland Allen; "Ronnee" Roussell; Percy J. Blanchard, Maude A. Blanchard, Chase M. Prejean, Pearl B. Aucoin; Jimmy, Sarah & Jackie Migliacio, P. W. Albert, Jr.; Frank Michelle Family, Victor Crescienne Family, Joe Michelle Family; Lena Gerage Corrent, Peter J. Corrent; M. Sanchez; Carol Jarreau

Sunday, February 5-7:30 am Mass

St. John Parishioners



Sunday, February 5-9:00 am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Alfred & Mercedese Carville, Mary & Lester Carville, Reid & Gerry Rainey, Edmund & Louise Bujol; Fred Hebert, George & Gloria Ramirez, Agnes & Jimmy LeBlanc; Jep Daigle, Eddie & Virginia Clebert, Ulger & Nilda Daigle, Clebert & Daigle Families; Vernon J. "Nook" Dupuy, Jr.; J. W. Bryant Family, Mrs. E. J. Clifton; Lola & A. J. Adams, Maggie & Joe Gullotto; Ronnie Palermo, Brown Family, Palermo Family; Glynn T. Hebert, A Special Intention; Simpson & Vicknair Families; Walter Marionneaux, Jr., Sylvia P. Marionneaux, Lidwin Patureau, Patricia Nelson, Robert Marionneaux, Paul J. Boudreaux, Jr., Paul & Lena F. Boudreaux

Sunday, February 5-11:00 am Mass

John Ruiz, Vincent Palermo, Lena Palermo Brooks, Jimmy Cashiola; Cindy Dickerson; J. Farrell Bourgoyne; Luke & Mary Fremin, Wayne & Ailene Lishman, Charles & Rosa Drago, Ellis & Enola Fremin; Nell & Collin Graffeo; Betty Gongre; Evan & Elizabeth Delahaye; M/M Phillip Calvaruso, M/M Vito Calvaruso; Marie Patrick Druillhet; Timothy Coupel; Lawrence Seymour; Alfred Roth & Family, Henry J. Daigle & Family, Bourgoyne & Dupuy Families

Tuesday, February 7-6:00 pm Mass

Linda H. Callahan, Leona H. Haydel; M/M Tony Falcon; M/M Earl Quatrevingt; M/M C. J. Saurage; Doris Murry; Ronald L. Gary; Camille Tempanaro; Randi, Brian & Brandi Quatrevingt, Tommy Quatrevingt

Wednesday, February 8-7:00 am Mass

A. J. & Margie Doiron, Robert Mooney, Rita Marchand

Thursday, February 9-7:00 am Mass

Raymond Landry

Friday, February 10-7:00 am Mass

Brendon, Ronald & Dudley Landry & Coletti Family



Children's Liturgy **February 12, 2017**

Diana Seneca (9:00 am Mass)

Susan Persilver (11:00 am Mass)

Coffee, Donuts & King Cake **February 12, 2017**



George & Patricia Ramirez (7:30 am Mass)

Ed & Sue Middleton (9:00 am Mass)



Sanctuary Candle **February 5, 2017**

St. John the Evangelist Church
Clay, Frank and Gary Hernandez

St. Clement of Rome Church
C. Z. Breaux, Jr. & J. H. Bourgeois

Sanctuary Candle **February 12, 2017**

St. John the Evangelist Church
Scott Jude Marino & Nera Rodriguez

St. Clement of Rome Church
Pim & NuNu Clebert

MASS INTENTIONS — February 11 - 17, 2017

Saturday, February 11-4:00 pm Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure`, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Ralph Rivet, Sr.; Scott Jude Marino, Kids of St. Jude, Nera Rodriguez, M/M Anthony Marino, Sr.; Lindon A. "Noonie" Rivet, Lena P. Brooks, Daisy P. King, Irene R. Gulotta; Trista Claire Parro, Capt. John Lively; Jaynell Lopez; Michael Laurent & M/M C. L. Laurent, Sr.; M/M John Caffarel, Sr. & M/M G. E. Marix & Family; Kerne M. Coreil, Sr.; Brad Tullier; Charles Varnell; Joseph Graves, W. A. Graves Family, Jack Jackson, Thomas Morales Family; Pearl Aucoin, Anthony F. Canella, M/M Aaron LeRay, Nora Vitale, Yvonne Curry, Shannie Verret & Camille Tempanaro; Angele S. Cavalier & Neila Simoneaux; Gary Gisler; M. Sanchez; Ernest & Josephine Lapeze, Ragusa Family, Lapeze Family; O. J. Landry, Jr.; "Middy" Bourgeois, M/M Millard Bourgeois, Sr., M/M Louis Martinez, Sr.; M/M Lindon Rivet & Family, J. P. Messina, Irene Gulotta

Sunday, February 12-7:30 am Mass

St. John Parishioners



Sunday, February 12-9:00 am Mass

Msgr. Leonard Robin, Msgr. George Barbier, Fr. Eugene Engels, Fr. Jerome Dugas, Sister Catherine Laboure`, Sister Mary Rita McSorley, Sister Cecile Poitras; Tina Rinaudo; Nera Rodriguez; Florence C. Pizzolato, Josephine Pizzolato Robinson, Rodney & Vennie Gasper Pizzolato; George & Carol Allain, GiGi Allain & Barbara Bajon; Madeline, John, Sr., John, Jr. & James Roth, Adolph, Sr., Adolph, Jr. & Ida Mae Jumonville, Freddie Hebert; Harold, Sr. & Barbara B. Himel, Angelic B. & Alvin Barbier, Sr.; William E. Barker, III

Sunday, February 12-11:00 am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Miller Family; Marshall & Virginia Peavy; Cleo & Ella Dupont; Edward Kocke, Jr.; Buck Fourroux; M/M Merrill Judice; Dudley Nicolosi, Linda Mae & "Boogie" Schexnaildre; Melba Rita Power

Tuesday, February 14-6:00 pm Mass

June Devillier Berthelot; Curtis, Denise & Brian Breaux; Vincent A. Ferachi & Dr. Larry Ferachi; Pim & NuNu Clebert; Eddie & Virginia Clebert; Gomez & Clebert Families; Louise & Edmund Bujol; Mary & Chuchie Flatau; Vernon J. "Nook" Dupuy, Jr.; Frances P. Savariste; Josephine & George Ourso, George, Jr. & Dennis Ourso; Marvin Allen; Nora, Ernest Allen, Sr., Ernest Allen, Jr.; Orian Gulotta

Wednesday, February 15-7:00 am Mass

Brendon, Ronald & Dudley Landry & Coletti Family

Thursday, February 16-7:00 am Mass

M/M Merrill Judice

Friday, February 17-7:00 am Mass

Bergeron Family

Weekday Worship & Scripture—Week of Feb. 6, 2017

Monday, February 6: 7 am Liturgy of the Word

Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 7: 6:00 pm Confessions/Mass/ Anointing/Novena/Benediction

Gn 1:20 -- 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 8: 7 am Mass

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday, February 9: 7 am Mass

Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday, February 10: 7 am Mass

Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday, February 11:

Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday, February 12: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

STEWARDSHIP

January 14 & 15, 2017



Stewardship	\$ 9,857.00
Social Responsibility.....	\$ 936.00
Candles.....	\$ 607.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 343.00

January 21 & 22, 2017

Stewardship	\$10,036.00
Education Fund.....	\$ 448.00

January 28 & 29, 2017

Stewardship	\$ 9,393.00
Church in Latin America.....	\$ 605.00



CONTRIBUTION TAX STATEMENTS

Anyone needing a 2016 contribution statement for tax purposes should call Susan at the St. John parish office (225.687.2402).

Statements will be printed upon request.

Please remember St. John Church and St. John School in your Last Will and Testament.



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