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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

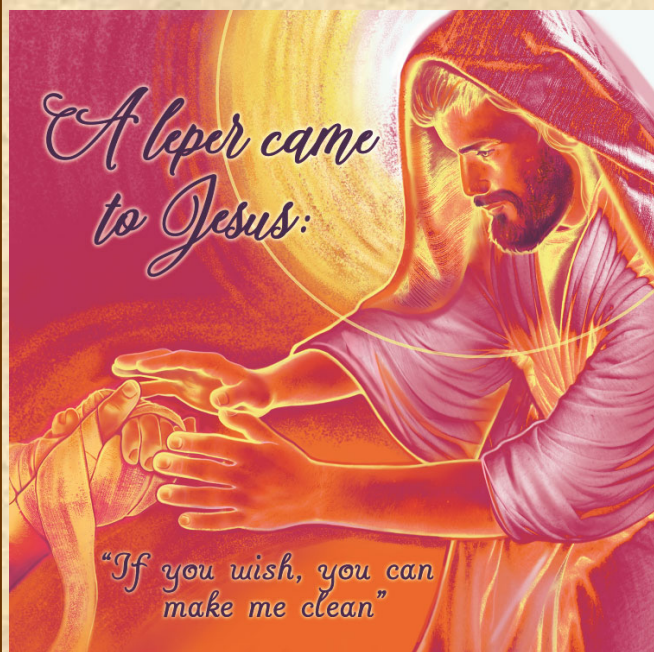
(Mass and Novena) 6:00 pm

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



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time — February 11, 2018

Paul the People Pleaser?

Last week we heard St. Paul saying that he was all things to all people. This week, we hear that he tried to please everyone. To modern ears, that sounds more like a people-pleaser. But that wasn't what Paul meant. The key to Paul's way of life is the last line of the second reading: "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ." (1 Cor 11:1) When Jesus spoke to Paul in his conversion, he asked why he was persecuting Jesus. Paul later began to understand that all Christians make up the body of Christ. As members of that body, we can show others what Jesus is like, by our example. That seems to be a two part process.

First, to show Christ, we have to know Christ. We can do that by reading the scriptures and praying with them. We can receive the sacraments regularly, especially Reconciliation, where we experience his forgiveness and

love, and the Eucharist, where Jesus unites himself with us, so that we can become more like him.

The second part is acting like Jesus. Forgive people who hurt us, care for the sick, the dying, the poor. Don't be afraid to tell people what God has done for you; encourage others to be grateful for what God has done for them. Paul obviously didn't please everyone, or he wouldn't have ended his life in prison. He was more interested in imitating Christ. If we can imitate Paul in that way, we can't go wrong.

Parish Wedding Anniversary Mass and Celebration



At 4:00 pm Mass this weekend, we welcome couples celebrating their special wedding anniversaries at St. John.

Everyone is invited to a reception in their honor hosted by the St. John Altar Society following Mass in the parish hall.

Lent



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018, a day of fast and abstinence.

Ash Wednesday Schedule:

7:00 am - Mass & Distribution of Ashes
8:30 am - St. John School Mass & Distribution of Ashes
St. Clement Church
12 Noon - Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes
6:00 pm - Mass & Distribution of Ashes

Lenten Weekday Schedule:

Monday - 7:00 am Liturgy of the Word
Tuesday - 6:00 pm Mass
6:30 pm Divine Mercy Novena
Wednesday & Thursday - 7:00 am Mass
Friday - 12 Noon Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm Mass & Stations of the Cross
(No 7:00 am Mass during Lent)

Fast & Abstinence:

Fasting: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those who are 18, but not yet 59, are allowed only one full meal. Two small meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from Meat: Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. The Church no longer attempts to prescribe our Lenten practices in detail. The above regulations simply highlight Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and other Fridays in Lent.



Weekday Worship & Scripture-February 12-18, 2018

Monday, February 12: Liturgy of the Word
Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday, February 13: 6 pm
Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday, February 14: 7 am Mass
Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 -- 6:2;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, February 15: 7 am Mass
Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday, February 16: 7 am Mass
Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6a, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday, February 17:
Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday, February 18:
Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Our office will be closed Monday,
February 12 and Tuesday, February 13.

Happy Mardi Gras!!



Please note...

If you are a newcomer to St. John the Evangelist Church Parish, have recently married, or no longer live with your parents, please remember to fill out a census form to register here.

You may register by calling the St. John Church Office at 225.687.2402 and we will be happy to mail a census form to you. You may also pick up a census form from the bookshelves in the back of church, or access FORMS via our website, www.stjohnchurchplaq.org.

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)

Available hours for Eucharistic Adoration are:

- Sunday: 3:00 pm-4:00 pm
- Every other Monday: 12:00 am-1:00 am
- Every other Monday: 8:00 am-9:00 am
- Monday: 11:00 am-12:00 pm
- Tuesday: 10:00 pm-11:00 pm
- Tuesday: 11:00 pm-12:00 am
- Thursday: 12:00 am-1:00 am
- Friday: 1:00 am-2:00 am
- Saturday: 12:00 am-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
- Saturday: 11:00 pm-12:00 am

To volunteer for an hour in the Adoration Chapel, call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

Devotion of the Month



Month of the Passion of Our Lord

The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus' sufferings which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind.

Saints who had a special devotion to Christ's passion include St. Francis of Assisi, who was the first known saint to receive the stigmata; St. John of the Cross; St. Bridget of Sweden; and St. Catherine of Siena.



The beautiful flowers on the altar were given in loving memory of Mr. Paul Edwin Palmer, Sr., Mrs. Yolande McLin Palmer, Mrs. AnnaBelle Theriot Huval and Mr. Sherwood Gill, Jr., grandparents of Hunter Palmer and McKenzie Huval who were married at St. John on Friday, February 9.

Growing in Faith

Altar Society Selling Booklets

The St. John Altar Society will be selling “The Little Black Book” and “History of St. John The Evangelist Church” booklets before and after all Masses this weekend.

“The Little Black Book” (\$1.00) contains daily six minute meditations on the Passion according to Mark.

“The History of St. John the Evangelist Church” booklet (\$10.00) encompasses the details of the inception of the building beginning in 1850 until currently. It includes descriptions of the architecture, stained glass windows and fun facts such as these:

- **When was the first Catholic school started in Plaquemine?**
1853 and it was a school for boys. A girls school and a college were established in 1856.
- **How old is the clock in the clock tower?**
139 years old, installed in 1879 when Rev. Harnais was at St. John Church. He also established St. Augustine School in 1882 for African American children.
- **Do the bells in the tower have names?**
Yes, the original bell used as a fire alarm cracked and was replaced by "Joanna Maria" in 1885 and "Anna" in 1888. The bells cannot be rung as they had been in the past due to structural issues with their wooden housings. To repair and install electronic gongs would be quite costly.

Women’s Lenten Journey Retreat

Saturday, February 17, 2018
10:30 am-3:00 pm
St. John Parish Hall

Lead by Gwen Hayes and the Holy Spirit. Call the St. John Church office at 225.687.2402 to register.

2018 Men’s Conference

Saturday, February 17, 2018
St. George Church

The Men of the Immaculata are excited to announce that the 2018 Catholic men's conference will be featuring talks by Dr. Scott Hahn, Father Mitch Pacwa, SJ, and Matt Fradd. For more information and to register go on-line to <https://www.catholicmenbr.com/>.



Divine Mercy Novena

On Tuesday, February 6, our parish began 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. The Novena of Divine Mercy will continue every Tuesday during Lent after 6:00 pm Mass leading up to the Feast of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 8.

St. Joseph Altar Preparations

The St. Joseph Altar will be held on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Preparations for the St. Joseph Altar will begin on Monday, February 19 at 9:00 am at the K.C. Home.



Anyone interested in helping is welcome. Contact Betty Aucoin (225.776.1685) for more information.

Baptisms and Baptism Seminars



Baptism Seminars — 7:00 pm

- Monday, March 5, 2018
- Monday, April 9, 2018
- Monday, May 7, 2018

Baptisms — Following 4:00 pm Mass

- Saturday, April 28, 2018
- Saturday, May 26, 2018

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

Stewardship

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Our Hymn Selections this weekend:
(Subject to change)

- Entrance: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
Music Issue 474
- Preparation: Prayer of St. Francis
Music Issue 523
- Communion: All Are Welcome
Music Issue 415
- Sending Forth: We Are Called
Music Issue 617

MASS INTENTIONS — February 17-February 23, 2018

Saturday, February 17-4:00 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; Vincent A. Ferachi, Dr. Larry Ferachi; Andrew, Josephine, Carlo & Kurt Canova; Alcee & Pauline Becnel, Evans & Virgie Dugas; Dace K. Hahn, Sr., Earline Rivet Hahn, Kim H. Baggett, Luke Baggett; Murray & Dixie Suffrin; Donald Aucoin, Aucoin & Wunstel Families; Peter Palermo, Gaudin Family, Louviere Family, Benny Palermo; Harry Martinez; Johnny Zito, Johnny Zito, Jr., Andrew & Josephine Canova; Jeanette Watts; Ione & Calvin Robbins, Calvin Robbins, Jr.; Frank Michelle Family, Vic Crescionne Family, Joe Michelle; Annie Matirne, B. E. Matirne Family, Nick Mancuso Family, Tarek Smart; M/M Frank Ragusa & Family, M/M Placito Mancuso & Family; Myrtle Haydel; Monica Wille



Sunday, February 18-7:30 am Mass - St. John Parishioners

Sunday, February 18-9:00 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; Judge Edward & Lucille Engolio, Pauline E. deVerges & Edward N. Engolio, Jr.; Jackie Bourgoyne; Josephine D. & John J. Ringe; Patrick, Emily & David Doyle, Harry LaCasse; M/M Ernest Hernandez, Margaret Hernandez, Gary Hernandez, M/M Clay Hernandez, Rhodes Bourgoyne; Orcino & Schnebelen Families, Roy, Ruby & Roy, Jr. Schnebelen; O. J. & Pearl Hidalgo Songy & Family; Larry Troxclair, Sr., Sydney & Laurie Troxclair, Lyman Marchand, Jr.; Lawrence & Winnie Miller, Paul & Myrtle Richard, Edward Miller

Sunday, February 18-11:00 am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Anthony & Frances Palermo, Lena Palermo Brooks, Daisy Palermo King; Arnold "Buck" Fourroux; Henry Vadnais, Jr.; Edward Kocke, Jr.; William Middleton, William Lewis, Middleton & Clouatre Families; Frank, Josie, Victor J. & Anthony F. Canella; Bobby Tullier, M/M Verner Comeaux, Sr. & Sons; Joseph & Lillian Crescionne, Peter & Rosalie Crescionne, Dr. Joseph & Tina Alesi; M/M Russell Rivet, Sr., Tommy Rivet; Brandon & Eddie Schouest, Jr., Josie & Eddie Vicknair, Jr., M/M Joseph Rosso; Ruth Babin; Annie Vaughn

Tuesday, February 20-6:00 pm Mass

M/M Jules J. Noel, Sr., Libby Flatau, Anthony F. Canella, Aaron & Delia LeRay

Wednesday, February 21-7:00 am Mass


Bergeron Family

Thursday, February 22-7:00 am Mass

William Middleton & William Lewis

Friday, February 23-7:00 am Mass

Patricia Ann Bahry LeBlanc



Sanctuary Candle
February 18, 2018

St. John the Evangelist Church
Dugas, Trabeaux & Naquin Families

St. Clement of Rome Church
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Weekly Ministries


Altar Society Team 2 will be cleaning the church Wednesday, February 14. Volunteers are welcome.



Children's Liturgy
February 18, 2018

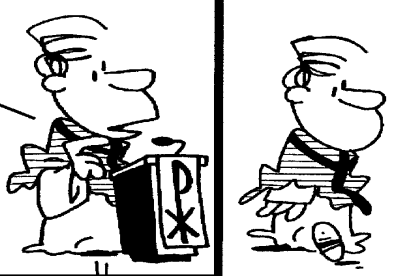
Tracy Cox (9:00 am Mass)
Susan Persilver (11:00 am Mass)

Coffee (only during Lent)
February 18, 2018



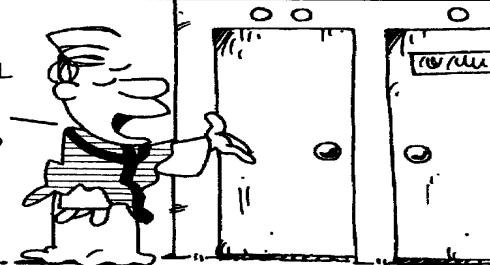
George & Patricia Ramirez (7:30 am Mass)
Kotchie & Joann Tullier (9:00 am Mass)

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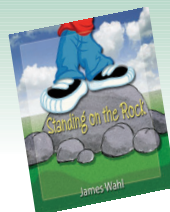
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