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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 17, 2019

BLESSED

When we think of the word “Beatitude” we think of today’s discourse from Luke’s Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins “Blessed are the poor in spirit ...”). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, “Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord” (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John’s Gospel, Christ proclaims, “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29).

The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next.



Your reward will be great in heaven

In Latin, the saints are called the Beati, the “Blessed,” for they are the ones who lived the “blessed” life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!



Holy Spirit Presentation Tuesday, February 19, 2019 St. John the Evangelist Church

Bishop Sam Jacobs will visit St. John Church Tuesday, February 19 to celebrate 6pm Mass and for a presentation following Mass entitled "The Importance of the Holy Spirit: Writing, Studying and Interpreting the Scriptures."

Bishop Jacobs was featured many times in the series on the Holy Spirit, "The Goose is Loose," which is on the St. Augustine Institute Formed.org website.

Please join us for Mass, Bishop Jacobs' presentation and a reception immediately following in the parish hall hosted by the St. John Altar Society.

St. Joseph Altar Preparations

The St. Joseph Altar will be held Sunday, March 17, 2019.

Preparations for the St. Joseph Altar will begin Tuesday, February 19 at 9am at the K.C. Home. Anyone interested in helping is welcome. Contact Betty Aucoin at 225.776.1685 or Rosemary Cox at 225.687.6160 for more information.



Altar Society

The St. John Altar Society will be selling "Little Black Books" for Lent on Saturday, February 16 and Sunday, February 17 before and after all Masses.

The books (\$1) contain six-minute meditations on the Sunday Gospels of Lent (Cycle C).

Baptisms & Baptism Seminars



Baptism Seminars — 7pm
Parish Office Third Floor
Monday, March 11, 2019
Monday, April 1, 2019
Monday, May 6, 2019

Baptisms — Following 4pm Mass
Saturday, February 23, 2019
Saturday, April 27, 2019
Saturday, May 25, 2019

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

Our Hymn Selections this weekend: (Subject to change)

Entrance: Gather Us In
Music Issue 303
Preparation: Open My Eyes
Music Issue 392
Communion: I Am the Living Bread
Music Issue 356
Sending Forth: City of God
Music Issue 385



We welcome the Catholic Daughters to 4pm Mass, Saturday, February 16, as they celebrate their Quarterly Communion with us.

Parish Wedding Anniversary Mass and Celebration

Congratulations to the following couples who celebrated anniversaries and were honored Saturday, February 9 at 4pm Mass followed by a reception in the parish hall.

Christina & Danny Cedotal
Cindy & Ronnie Rodrigue
50th

Jo Anne G. & Dale Adams
Cheryl & Wayne Allemond
Peggy & Donald Lawhon
Betty Gayle & J. P. Markins
Alice & Conrad Mire
Sue & Joe Roetker
55th

Arlene & Henry Grass
60th
Betty & O. J. Dupuy
Gwendolyn C. & John Gum
Celeste & C. L. Laurent, Jr.
65th

Barbara & Sidney "Zeke" Breaux
69th

Mary & Louis Clement

"May God continue to bless these couples with continued love, joy and happiness."

Weekday Worship & Scripture February 18-24, 2019

Monday, Feb 18: 7am Liturgy of the Word
Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday, Feb 19: 5:30pm Confession/Mass/Novena
Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3-4, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday, Feb 20: 7am Mass
Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday, Feb 21: 7am Mass
Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-23, 29; Mk 8:27-33
Friday, Feb 22: 7am Mass
1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

If you feel you are being called to the priesthood or religious life, take courage, the Lord is with you!



If you feel God is calling you, call Father Andrew Merrick at 225.336.8778, email framerrick@gmail.com, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.



Divine Mercy Novena Mass and Chaplet

Divine Mercy Novena Mass and Chaplet will begin Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 6pm. This year on Tuesday, February 26 at 6pm 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 26 through April 23, 2019, in preparation for the Feast of Divine Mercy (the second Sunday of Easter) on April 28.

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.

Stewardship

February 2 & 3, 2019



Identified.....	\$11,486.00
Number — 310	
Unidentified.....	\$ 1,289.00
Other Collections.....	\$ 3,883.00
Number — 127	
Unidentified.....	\$ 517.00

ONLINE GIVING — January 2019

Stewardship.....	\$ 4,781.00
Other Collections.....	\$ 1,108.00

Join the parishioners who are using ONLINE GIVING for automated giving to St. John. It is secure and convenient. To sign up for ONLINE GIVING, visit www.stjohnchurchplaq.org

Contribution Tax Statements



Anyone needing a 2018 contribution statement for tax purposes should call Susan at the St. John Church Office at 225.687.2402.

Statements will be printed upon request.

St. John School News

AUCTION! AUCTION! AUCTION!



It's that time of year again and planning is well underway for the Annual St. John Auction, which will be held on Saturday, March 30 at the Carl F. Grant Civic Center.

In the past, this community has been overwhelmingly supportive of this event. We are asking for your help to make this year's auction even more successful. If you own a business, have a talent or special craft, or simply make a purchase that you want to donate, we would love to showcase them. Any item, large or small, that you can contribute would be greatly appreciated. All donations and donors are listed on the auction program and all donated items are tax deductible.

Raffle tickets (\$2) are being sold now and will be sold auction night as well. Winner need not be present.

- 1st prize: \$1,000
- 2nd prize: \$250
- 3rd prize: \$150

For more information, contact Jennifer Landry at sjauction@yahoo.com.

MASS INTENTIONS — February 23-March 1, 2019

Saturday, February 23-4pm 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; Russell Adams; J. D. Dupre; Michael "Boo" Santangelo, Mike & Rita Santangelo, Clay & Julette Bourg; Yves & Vera Ramirez, Jerry & Jane, Kirsch Kember; Scott Jude Marino, Nera Rodriguez, Anthony & Mary Marino, Kids of St. Jude; Andrew, Josephine, Carlo & Kurt Canova; Mack & Laura, Michael & Lawrence Lazzaro, Kolby Lorio, James "Butch" & Sadie Tullier; Alma Pizzolato; Patricia A LeBlanc; Bergeron Family; Kathy Lorio, Lee Canova; Frank Michelle Family, Victor Crescienne Family, Joe Michelle; Victor J. Canella; Brett Altazan; Jeanette Watts, Francis LaFleur, M/M J. E. Dupont, Jr., Kathy Fulton; Mary & Chuchie Flatau, Anthony & Camella Orcino, Orcino & Flatau Families

Sunday, February 24-7:30am Mass - St. John Parishioners



Sunday, February 24-9am 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; Kristina Mellema; Herman & Joan Daigle, Roy & Vorina Gulotta, Rosa, Curtis, Brian & Denise Breaux; D.J. Comeaux; Benny & Annie Vaughn; Chase Vaughn, Violet, & Eugene Vaughn, Jaynell Hebert, Felix Berthelot, George Randazzo; Dwight Marix, Allen & Alberta Buquoi, Lois Marix

Sunday, February 24-11am Mass

Cindy Dickerson; Alex & Emily Kappadakunnel; Ronald, Brendon & Dudley Landry, Sam & Agnes Coletti; Harold & Hayes Sparks, Sisse Reinhardt, Chantal Choina; Bette Howard

Tuesday, February 26-6pm Mass

Vivian & Harry Banta, Tracie Caston

Wednesday, February 27-7am Mass

Janice Brown

Thursday, February 28-7am Mass

M/M Anthony Leggio, Sr., Dr. Anthony Leggio, Jr.

Friday, March 1-7am Mass

M/M Jules J. Noel, Jr.



Sanctuary Candle

February 24, 2019

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

St. Clement of Rome Church
Kappadakunnel Family

Weekly Ministries

Children's Liturgy

February 24, 2019

Sabrina Ruggiero (9am Mass)

Beryl Raffray (11am Mass)



Coffee, Donuts & King Cake

February 24, 2019

Gordon & Marianne Gregoire (7:30am Mass)

Larry & Jeanette Schlatre (9am Mass)

Altar Society



Altar Society Team 3 will be cleaning the church
Wednesday, February 20. Volunteers are welcome!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

These words of Jesus are an excellent invitation to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament: *"So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?"* (Matthew 26:40)

Available hours for scheduled visitation to the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel are:

-Wednesday: 6am-7am

-Friday: 7am-8am

-Sunday: 3pm-4pm

To volunteer as a scheduled adorer or substitute, call JoAnn Daigle at 225.687.4621 or 225.776.4865.

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